



BLUEBIRDS RETURN--Spring weather and Roger Barber have combined to bring the bluebird back to Crawford County. (Photos courtesy of Barb Barber).

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Push for regional landfill supported at county level

By Lori Swarthout

Amid continuing controversy county commissioners voted 4 to 1 to support the Crawford - Otsego landfill's new owners in their efforts to run a profitable business.

The morning session of the commissioner's meeting included a presentation by City Environmental Services (C.E.S.) of Waters (formerly City Environmental Services, formerly City Management of Northern Michigan, Inc.). C.E.S. management stated that they were present at this meeting to follow up on the matter of reciprocal agreements. They stressed the necessity of such agreements, allowing import of waste from other counties, in order to assure their company's profitability. One of their waste management engineers then described the processes and safeguards to be undertaken by C.E.S. in bringing the landfill up to and beyond D.N.R. requirements.

C.E.S. staff then fielded questions

from the commissioners and general public. In response to a question from Commissioner Joe Callewaert, C.E.S. environmental attorney Sue Johnson affirmed that environmental assessments, public hearings, and other procedures must be followed before a new construction permit is issued for any landfill.

Johnson also said she would look into the matter of hazardous waste being taken to the landfill in response to a complaint from Lovells Township supervisor Fred Schaibly. She stated that any citizen with such concerns should get the license plate and identification number from the truck, and report it to C.E.S.

When questioned by an unidentified citizen at the meeting, C.E.S. management offered no assurances that they would not purchase more land in addition to the 240 acres they already own, and which includes the former eighty acre landfill. Johnson indicated that the anticipated life of the landfill

is 21 years, as proposed for the 240 acres and allowing for all waste from all counties Crawford is being asked to sign reciprocal agreements with.

In response to another question during the meeting, Johnson indicated that the county has already reaped the major benefits of their purchase,

because any liability for D.N.R. fines or the cost of bringing the landfill up to D.N.R. specifications is now the responsibility of the new owners.

After this lengthy discussion, Commissioner Goodale motioned to support C.E.S. in their efforts to be

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Hanson Hills considers community pool project

By Terry Wright

The recent acquisition, by the Grayling Recreation Authority, of the former Pine Knoll swimming pool, accompanying building, and pump and filter equipment has many local residents hopeful that soon a community pool will be added to the many other recreational facilities offered by Hanson Hills.

Dan Wyers, manager of Hanson

Hills, said it's still way too early to hope for a pool in the immediate future.

"There are lots of problems that have to be resolved before that pool or any other pool run by G.R.A. can open to public use. We purchased the Pine Knoll pool with the expert advice that if we can't eventually open it to the public it can easily be resold to recoup all of our investment."

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'Bluebird Man' credited with bringing back bird here

By Shirley D. Schmoock

It's spring and the Eastern Bluebird is back! The bluebird is in the thrush family and is related to the robin. It is a slender-billed songbird considered by some to be on a par with the nightingale. Of this bird, Thoreau wrote, "If the warble of the bluebird does not thrill you, then spring has

gone out of your heart."

The bluebird, a favored subject of artists for centuries, can now be seen darting across open fields and country roads, the telltale flash of iridescent blue coloring a sparse woodland. At one time, the Eastern Bluebird, often called the blue robin, was far more numerous than today. This decrease

has been estimated to exceed 90% in some areas. Usually a solitary species, the bird does, however, take family like seriously and works hard at increasing its own numbers against tremendous odds. After the male selects a territory, he begins courting a suitable lady with rhapsodic song and a delicious assortment of worms and

bugs. By mid-March, this exotic soiree is completed. But the honeymoon is necessarily short; the new bride must build the nest and incubate the eggs.

Nature does not often appreciate human interference. Yet in the case of the rehabilitation of the bluebird population, nature welcomes people like Roger Barber, a Grayling native who is aptly called The Bluebird Man.

"Seeing the birds in the wild and knowing you're helping them is the greatest feeling," says Barber. "Two years ago, we had a cold wet spring and I think 80% of the young birds

died. It was just terrible."

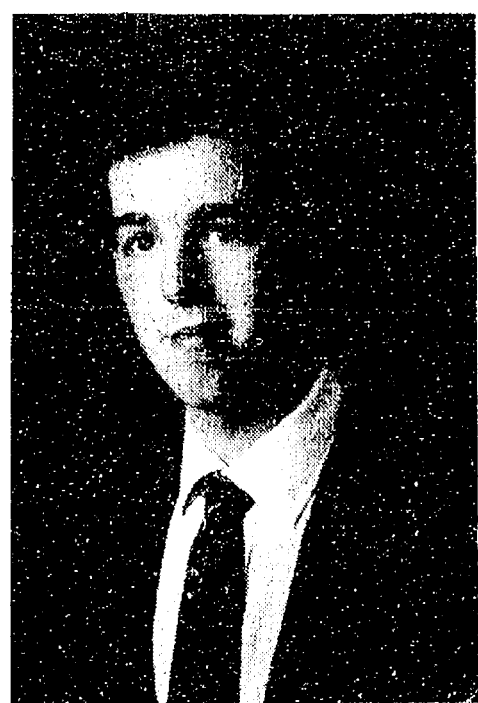
Barber, a veteran employee of Fick Ojl, says the Ficks have often given him space in the company shop to work, and furnished supplies for the continuation of the bluebird housing program he began some years ago. Barber calls it a "hobby," but considering the scale of this program, and according to the DNR biologists who observe and are amazed at his success, calling it a "hobby" seems a vast understatement. It is certainly more like a labor of endless commitment to ensure the Eastern

Bluebird never appears on any endangered species in the State of Michigan. For a shy, very private man, Barber has and will continue to move mountains for the bird.

Barber is currently responsible for installing over 360 boxes in the area. He estimates that roughly 25-30% of the houses are occupied by tree or barn swallows, a beneficial group of birds which regularly consume their weight in noxious insects such as mosquitoes. The house wren, another insect eater, will often build many more nests than

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Stancil, Mirate win state youth courtroom competition



Jordan Stancil



Sean Mirate

Grayling High School students Jordan Stancil and Sean Mirate recently won first place in the Michigan Youth in Government Moot Court competition. Held in Lansing March 24-28, the competition involved two-person legal teams from high schools throughout the state, with no school size distinction.

Working with local attorney/coaches, the students are required to prepare and write their own briefs and case citations for a moot case to be taken on appeal. They are required to argue both as appellee and appellant through a series of five elimination rounds and five individual judges. A cumulative point system is used for

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GHS band members earn 18 top marks at state

Grayling High School band students came home with 18 Is (highest rating) and two IIs (next highest rating) from the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association (M.S.B.O.A.) state solo/ensemble festival, held in St. Ignace on March 28.

"This is the best we have done at state competition," said Director Dennis Ormsbee. "The students worked hard for the competition and it paid off. What a great job."

Band members who earned I ratings included:

Renee Akers (10), flute solo (proficiency 1); Adam Anger (12), piano solo (proficiency 2); Anger, trumpet solo (proficiency 3); Betsy Dean (9), trumpet solo; Greichen Dice (11), oboe solo (proficiency 1); Dice, piano solo (proficiency 2); John DeVries (12), trombone solo (proficiency 1); Kristie Lamie (12) and Renee Akers, flute duet; Shane

Lovely (12) and Brian Dunckley (9), snare drum duet; Lovely, Dunckley, Katey DeVries (10), and Danyell Galvani (9), percussion quartet;

Also earning I ratings were: Loren Lugviel (10), baritone solo (proficiency 1); Chad Ormsbee (12), tuba solo (proficiency 3); Kendra Palmer (12), clarinet solo (proficiency 2); Travis Patrick (9), baritone solo; Yolanda Rosi (11), trumpet solo

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Social Security is big business here

Social Security is big business in Crawford County. It pays nearly \$1.3 million a month to residents in the county for a total of more than \$15.5 million a year.

There were 2,265 retired persons in Crawford County receiving a total of \$1,247,000 a month, according to the latest figures available (December, 1990) from the Social Security Traverse City office.

Additionally, there were 207 persons receiving a total of \$49,000 a month in Supplemental Security Income (SSI). SSI is for elderly, blind, or disabled persons who have limited incomes.

Nationwide, Social Security pays out \$23,121,717,000 a month. The average retired worker in the U.S. receives \$602.91 a month and his or her spouse receives \$311.39 a month.

In Michigan, about 19.9% of all residents receive Social Security. Crawford County has 20.3% of its estimated 12,182 residents receiving Social Security, slightly above the state average.

Otsego County, to the north of Crawford, has 20.9% of its estimated 17,957 residents receiving Social Security. Otsego County has 3,525 retired residents receiving \$1,962,000 a month. There are 238 persons re-

ceiving \$76,000 in SSI in Otsego County.

Dividing the total money received by the number of retired residents in Crawford County results in an average of \$531 a month per retired person.

Dividing the total money received by the number of retired residents in Otsego County results in a slightly higher average of \$557 a month per retired person.

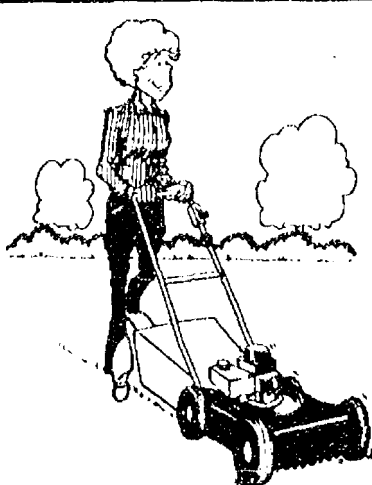
The average SSI monthly payment in Crawford County is \$237 a person. The average SSI monthly payment in Otsego County is \$319 a person.



GHS STATE SOLO/ENSEMBLE PARTICIPANTS--(front) Gretchen Dice, Melissa Wakeley, Melanie Ross, Danyell Galvani, Rene Akers, Betsy Dean, Travis Patrick, Yolanda Rosi, Katey DeVries; (back) Loren Lugviel, Adam Anger, John DeVries, Shane Lovely, Chad Ormsbee, Brian Dunckley. Not pictured: Chris Halstead, Kristie Lamie, Kendra Palmer.

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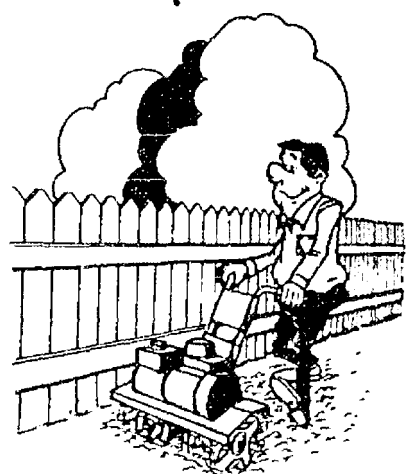
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District Court

Robert J. Ridley, III, 18, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of Impaired Driving, and was fined \$525 or 60 days, plus his license was suspended 90 days. He was cited September 21, 1991, by the Sheriff Dept.

James Gerald Vannuck, 57, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of Impaired Driving, and was fined \$525 or 60 days, plus his license was suspended 90 days. He was cited December 24, 1991, by the Sheriff Dept.

John Edward Brown, 46, of Luzerne, plead guilty to a charge of Impaired Driving, and was fined \$525 or 60 days, plus his license was suspended 90 days. He was cited August 7, 1991, by the Sheriff Dept.

Mark Louis Gilmore, 28, of Frederic, plead guilty to a charge of Grayling City Ordinance #4—Disorderly Person, and was fined \$105 or ten days, placed on six months probation, and ordered to have no contact with complainant. He was cited August 30, 1991, by the Sheriff Dept.

Kenneth J. Northrup, 19, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of NSF Check Under \$50, and was fined

\$155 or 14 days, restitution paid. He was cited June 1, 1991.

Christopher James Lehti, 18, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of Malicious Destruction of Personal Property Under \$100, and was fined \$155 or 14 days, and placed on one year probation. He was cited July 28, 1991, by the Sheriff Dept.

Timothy Gregory Haltquist, 18, of St. Helen, was bound over to Circuit Court on two counts of Uttering and Publishing. A \$10,000 personal bond was set.

Michael Paul Shorey, 19, of Roscommon, was bound over to Circuit Court on two counts of Uttering and Publishing. A \$10,000 personal bond was set.

Kenneth Michael Bills, 21, of Mio, was bound over to Circuit Court on a charge of Larceny From Motor Vehicle. A \$5,000 personal bond was set.

Christopher Shawn Callahan, 28, of Grayling, was bound over to Circuit Court on a charge of Delivery of Controlled Substance 2nd Offense. A \$5,000 cash or surety bond was set.

Sheriff Dept.

Crawford County Sheriff Department, weekly activity report.

Week of 3-22-92 through 3-29-92

Animal Control Officer.....10

Accidents:

Car/deer.....10

Property Damage.....2

Personal Injury.....1

Assault.....1

Attempt to Locate.....2

B & E.....6

Conservation.....2

Domestic Complaint.....3

Driving w/License Suspended.....1

TOTAL.....38

City Police

City of Grayling Police Department, weekly police activity report.

Week of 3-23-92 through 3-29-92

Misdemeanor Citation.....1

Misdemeanor Arrest.....2

Larceny.....11

Juvenile Complaint.....1

Non-classified Complaint.....19

Civil Infractions.....2

Property Damage Accidents.....9

B & E.....2

Malicious Destruction.....3

Attempt to Locate.....1

Traffic Warning.....4

Private Property Accident.....1

Domestic Complaints.....2

TOTAL.....58

City police warn about phone solicitors

The City of Grayling Police Department has received several complaints from area merchants involving telephone solicitations. These phone calls have been for the purpose of soliciting funds, supposedly for some type of children's program. The current perpetrators have represented themselves as a member of the Grayling City Police Department calling themselves "Jim or James Collins" or "Peter Horn."

City Police do not know the origin of these phone calls, however, the callers in representing themselves as members of the City of Grayling Police Department are fraudulently misleading the public. The City Police have no knowledge of either this program or the named solicitors, nor will any endorsement be provided.

Area merchants are advised to check with either the City of Grayling Police Department or the Crawford County Sheriff Department when these solicitors begin calling, providing as much information as possible may assist in tracking down the source.

There are legitimate programs provided by both the local area law enforcement agencies that are well publicized. For your benefit please be aware of perpetrators who are apparently taking advantage of these legitimate efforts.

Any legitimate organization will have the foresight, courtesy, and professionalism to register or notify the police in the area in which they intend to solicit, said Peter Stephan, Grayling Chief of Police.

Local Weather

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	High	Low	rain or snow	Snow on ground
3/25	45	14		7
3/26	49	27	0.01	6
3/27	46	27	0.17/4"	7
3/28	36	28		7
3/29	45	16		6
3/30	46	17		4
3/31	45	22		4

Extended forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Houghton Lake: Wednesday will be cold with a 70% chance of snow showers. Thursday - dry with high in the 30s. Chance of snow Friday.

County business

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OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS

In other business at Wednesday's meeting, Crawford County Commissioners heard from Jim Pryor of Honeywell Inc. Pryor outlined for the commissioners some of the advantages offered by a Honeywell computer maintenance contract. Contracts could be designed for either one or five year terms, included repair, maintenance, and system update possibilities, and could be terminated with thirty days notice from either party. Commissioners agreed to a five year contract, starting at \$7,600 for the first year.

Also present at the meeting was Carl Cratsenberg of Michigan Employee Benefits Service (M.E.B.S.). Cratsenberg discussed various ways the county could manage its employee benefits program. He emphasized the benefits of consolidation of various units of government in obtaining good rates and stressed the necessity of plan designing, a process involving both management and labor, and allowing for selection of benefit levels most desired by all affected.

In other business, Jerry Chase of Northern Health Foundation offered his agency's services in the process of planning for jail expansion progresses. It was also approved to purchase fish food for the hatchery at a cost of \$4800,

to be repaid by the hatchery later this summer. Dixie Lobsinger, from the Animal Shelter of Crawford County Inc., received permission from the commissioners to pick up hurt animals when no animal control officer is on duty.

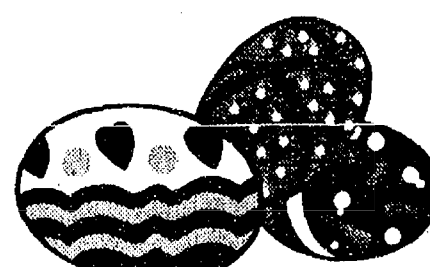
Other action taken before adjournment amends the county recreation plan to include Beaver Creek Township, opening the way for potential additional grant funds. The next commissioners' meeting date will be April 22, as the April 8th regular scheduled meeting has been cancelled, competitive, given their solid landfill design plans. During discussion on the motion, Commissioner Long suggested regular follow-up with C.E.S. be arranged. C.E.S. indicated no problems with this.

Commissioner Callewaert still wished to know if Crawford County could benefit in any way from these reciprocal agreements. Johnson repeated that the benefit to the county has already been reaped in C.E.S.'s assumption of all liability for cleaning and maintaining the landfill to D.N.R. specifications.

The motion passed, with Callewaert opposing. After the meeting Callewaert indicated that he couldn't "support the creation of this mother of all landfills in return for vague promises of future clean up and 'lower rates for in county disposal.'"

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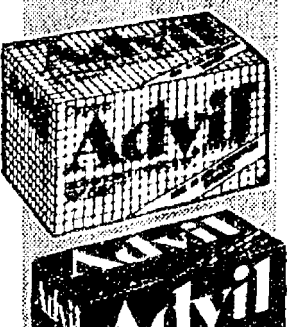
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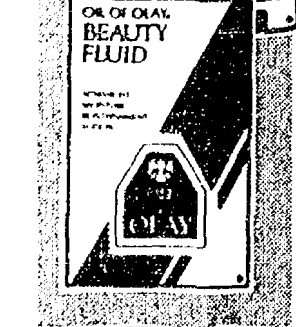
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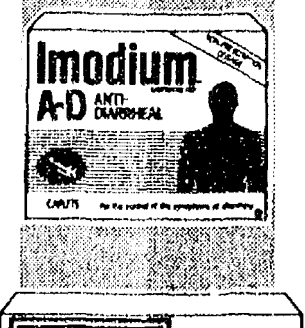
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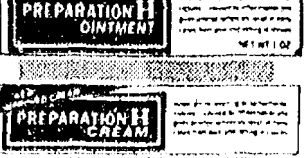
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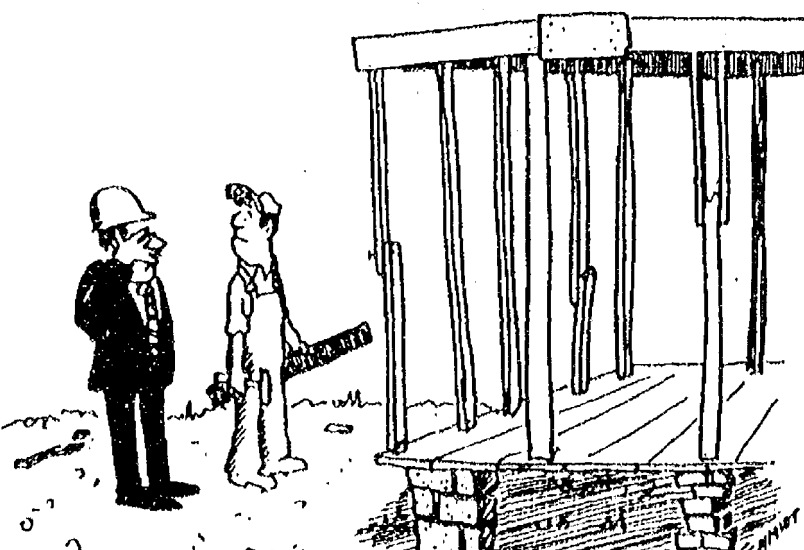
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BLOOD DONORS HONORED--Betty Pamerleau, head of blood services for the local Red Cross chapter, accepts a large display honoring all local blood donors who have given five gallons or more. Charles Fick, left, paid to have the plaque built and will also provide updates for the honor roll. Fick has given blood in California, Ohio, Tennessee, and other places in Michigan besides Grayling in order to donate blood every 56 days. The Red Cross makes donors wait at least 56 days between blood donations. Below are local donors who have given at least five gallons of blood: Allan Myers, Sally J. Papendick, Vern C. Gox, Lawrence R. Sell, James M. Ely, John J. Kapets, Edward J. Diercks, June M. Savoie, Willard J. Tobin, Linda A. Stephan, Eugene E. Kindler; six gallons: Edward R. Durga, Larry G. Rouse, Thomas G. Brooks, Kirtland M. Kitchen, William E. Timmins, Ruby V. Peterson, Joseph A. Rozenek, Robert A. Prause, Mary Jane Knibbs, Diana K. Diercks; seven gallons: Phil A. Moore, Dan R. Baker, Thomas R. Welsh, Michael R. Wieland, Marilyn D. Fick; eight gallons: Georgina B. Wilcox, Louis J. Baker, Michael D. Shearer; nine gallons: Barbara E. Cheyne, Shirley A. Hunnicutt, Albert W. Kesteloot, Robert F. Bovee, Rex K. Shepard; ten gallons: Terry R. Wakeley, Bernard J. Fowler; eleven gallons: Elaine D. Westernmoreland, Edward W. Bunton; thirteen gallons: Clarence D. Burse; fifteen gallons: William V. Mapes; sixteen gallons: Charles F. Fick, Theodore Buehler.

Barber credited with bringing bluebirds back

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she will ever need, her twiggy creations filling up available space intended for the bluebird. These two species, fortunately, can and do co-exist with the bluebird.

"I've experimented with various building materials for the boxes," Barber says, "and I find the reverse board and batten used by builders is superior to ordinary plywood, which warps. I expect a box to last four to five years, and it must take the weather and other abuse from birds and animals." In his housing career, Barber has built nearly 1,000 bluebird boxes.

MAINTAINING A BLUEBIRD TRAIL

Barber maintains in excess of 200 boxes himself, and he hopes to place yet another 40 this spring that are under construction. If additional wood is made available to him this season, he will begin another 50. His next endeavor, though, is to locate a person or persons who will commit to maintaining 10-20 boxes in the Lovells and North Branch Township areas. Barber will build and install the houses if this commitment is made on behalf of the bluebird.

"I, personally, give Roger credit for the return of the bluebird to Crawford County," says Rob Woodland, Grayling teacher and veteran bluebird trail maintainer. "I believe Cheboygan County topped the list last year, but we're next in reproduction figures. And this growth has remained steady with 941 young birds in 1989 and 964 in 1990."

"Seeing the birds is so rewarding," says Woodland, "and though looking after 100 boxes takes some time, I enjoy it and plan to put up another ten this spring. I've seen the birds just after they've hatched, and have always thought the steady increase in birds was worth the effort. Vandalism of the boxes is the worst frustration. People steal them, and it's too bad because they probably don't know enough about the bird to take care of the nests. I try to place them on private property and hope that they'll be left alone."

Barber first became interested in the plight of the bluebird after reading an article published by the DNR. The bird's problems are peculiar: It must compete not only with predators, it must fend off more aggressive birds for nesting territory.

The female bluebird will lay four to six eggs, and they will hatch in 14 days. The young remain in the nest for another 18-21 days, when they leave the box for good. They never return to the box, but as a family unit, the fledglings now help their parents feed and care for the next brood. And because the bluebird is so fastidious, the female will not lay eggs in the same nest. It must, therefore, be discarded and the box quickly dusted for parasites if there is to be a chance that she may yet nest there again that season. The blow fly larvae is particularly injurious to the bluebird.

SOUTH BRANCH BLUEBIRDS

Lois Jones and her husband, Jeremy, a nature photographer, jointly maintain one of Barber's bluebird trails in South Branch Township. The trail consists of approximately 30 houses, and she says, "we do them together. We enjoy each other's company and we know we're helping the birds. We disinfect the boxes with fungicide and keep notes on each box. It's very dramatic if something tampers with the nests, but it's also exciting when a female will just sit right there and let you count her eggs or check her nest."

Jones feels that "Roger Barber is simply phenomenal. He is almost single-handedly responsible for bringing back the bluebird here. And because he feels so strongly about the birds, he inspires other people to be supportive, as well." She and her husband maintain their 160 acre farm primarily for the benefit of wildlife. "We're fascinated with the bluebirds, but we also have a scarlet tanager, an indigo bunting, and timber doodles (woodcocks). The catbirds love the puddles we build for them."

Jones admits to not being strictly a purist when it comes to requesting the swallows to leave the bluebird boxes. "And, I also leave them closed in the winter so the deer mice will have a place to go," she says, her jubilation for all wildlife evident. "But we get bluebirds in one out of three houses though," she claims, "so we're very happy with that."

NEED NEW NESTS

And she should be because if assisted, bluebirds can multiply in healthy numbers. When the young birds are ready to leave the nest, the parents will tease them with fat grubs and entice them to take their first solo flight of perhaps 100 feet. Because the female can lay as many as three separate broods each season, she will begin building another nest almost immediately.

She must have a clean environment in which to lay these eggs, however, so it's important that trail maintainers monitor the progress of the birds. With the destruction and clearing of dead or diseased trees, much of the bluebird's natural habitat has been lost. Insecticides and pesticides have further eroded their numbers, so it is only with the devotees like Barber, Woodland, and the Joneses stepping up to the problem, that the bird is able to survive and to actually thrive in the area.

(For those readers who might choose to experiment with bluebirding shortcuts... don't. Finding a proper box built by a non-bluebird builder will be a disappointment. My own experience with getting bluebirds into my yard consists of a \$15 boondoggle without a hinged side; it is also currently filled with Gypsy moth egg masses and inhabited by bats! The house looks good, but it faces the wrong direction and it's hanging on a

big tree where the bird does not have suitable or easy access to it.)

It is for many reasons that Roger Barber likes to select the spot to place the houses he builds. He labors for the birds out of caring and to increase their numbers; he does not build the houses for profit or expend this much energy to have a box in every yard. "I build the houses so I can share my knowledge and the enjoyment of the birds with other people. Maintaining a bluebird trail means having a love for the outdoors and appreciating nature enough to help out some. These birds have come a long way, but because they're fragile this far north, we have to give them the care they need and not begrudge them the time."

BIRDS INCREASING

"Last year we did very well," he claims. "The birds are increasing in

the area. We know this because we keep records. And, with every new box we put up and maintain, we can expect further increases. The English Sparrow is the bluebird's greatest enemy. The bird's an import and it will drill into the bluebird eggs and then lay its nest right over the top of the ruined nest. Watching the nests to keep this bird out is a necessary part of guaranteeing the health of the bluebird's normal cycle."

Any person or persons interested in maintaining a bluebird trail may contact Roger Barber at 348-7110 evenings. Or, individual boxes that Barber donates can be purchased for a \$6 donation to The Friends of Hartwick Pines; it comes complete with information on the bird and with instructions on proper placement of the box.

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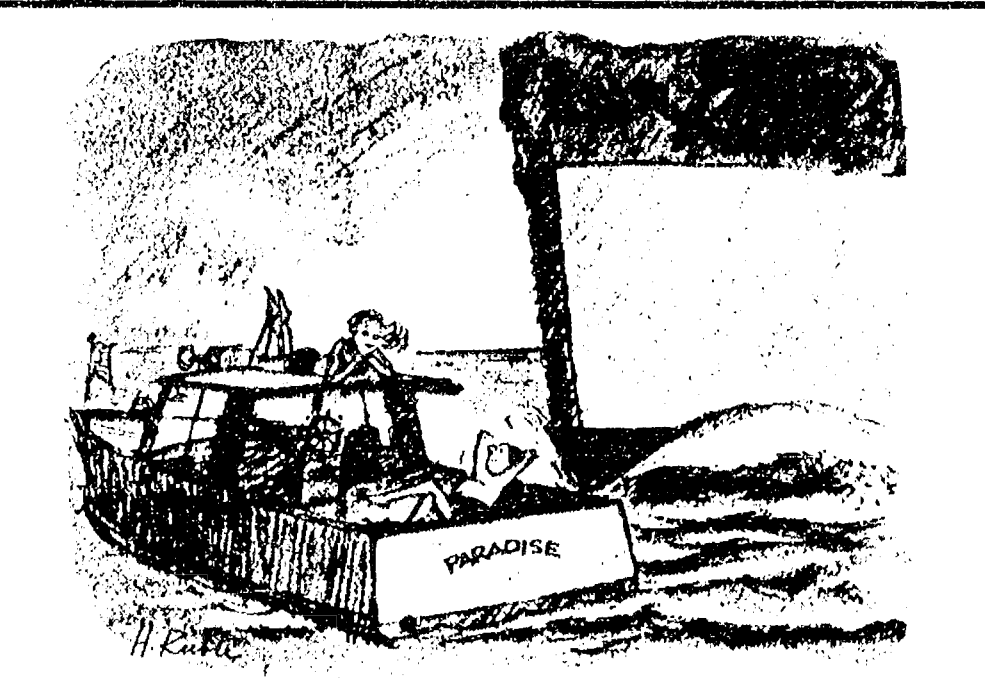
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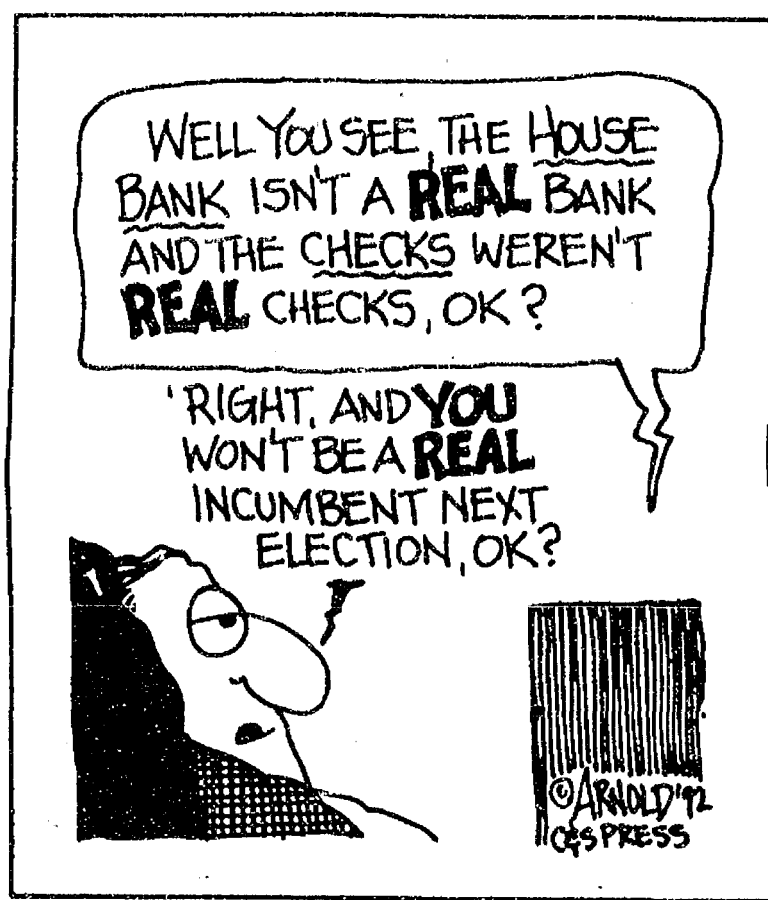
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Opinions



Letters To The Editor

Skiing drops off despite good conditions

We have just finished one of our best seasons, weatherwise. Though we didn't have an abundance of snow until February, we did have adequate snow cover and not many real cold days. We only lost one day of skiing from December 20th through March 22nd, and that because of rain. We finished the season this past weekend, March 28-29, with good skiing, slopes all covered with snow and no bare spots. We are wrapping up the season due to a shortage of skiers.

I was in Grayling Friday night and the Thursday night snow was already gone. The flat ground, cement and blacktop absorb heat and melt the snow a lot faster than on our north facing slopes. Living in Grayling, it would be hard to imagine that only six miles south there would be excellent skiing.

I guess it's like the golf courses. After Labor Day the people stop playing, when the weather is not 80

degrees in the shade and the course is in beautiful shape. So goes skiing, with warm days, sunshine, and the most snow cover of the season, people stop skiing.

We would like to thank the businesses and residents of Crawford County for their support during the past ski season and the opportunity to contribute to the economy of Crawford County.

Ernie Nye, manager
Skyline Ski Area

Commissioner opposed to creating regional landfill here

Adding all of these northern Michigan counties' solid waste to this landfill, with so little in return to this county, is tantamount to a sellout of our own environmental and economic interest.

This landfill, because of polluter pay legislation, should have been recognized as a resource to the benefit of our taxpaying public. A financial agreement; county landfill

enforcement; monitoring impact fees; and an environmental impact study are just some of the things that should have been negotiated, but were not for some mysterious reason.

I can't support the creation of this mother of all landfills in return for vague promises of future clean up and "lower rates for in-county disposal."

Joseph Callewari
Grayling

Cooperation can avoid collision over future of stump pond

I continue to be interested in the developing issues regarding the protection of the Stump Pond. My reason for writing is three-fold. First, I would like to acknowledge that the pond is valuable to those devoted to its protection. I do not own property on the pond and know the pond only through a visit to the boardwalk. It seems unique and interesting, as a resource for nesting birds and waterfowl. For the few who view the Stump Pond regularly, I'm sure other stated values attributed to the Stump Pond are valid.

As a downstream property owner, I've looked at the Stump Pond in another light. I've always assumed the AuSable River to fit the classic trout stream requirements of being

"cold and clear." In the summer of 1987, I was shocked to discover occasional water temperature of 74 degrees to 75 degrees near my property upstream from Thendara Road. During the heat waves of the summer of 1988 and 1989, I carried out point-by-point temperature recordings. In the late afternoon, going downstream as quickly as I could drive, I would obtain the following typical temperatures. M-72 Bridge above Stump Pond, would typically be 75 degrees. The river below the falls by Ray's Canoe Livery would be 83 degrees to 84 degrees.

The river would cool itself again gradually as it went downstream, but wouldn't reclaim the 75 degree temperature until it reached Stephan Bridge. I've repeatedly recorded water temperatures of 80 degrees at Burton's Landing, and 79 degrees and 78 degrees at Louie's Landing and Keystone Landing respectively. These conditions remained as long as warm nights and hot clear days persisted. If one thinks that the temperature effects

of the Stump Pond are trivial, I can also say that I've observed dead white fish and trout following several days of such conditions. During the later stages of the two-week heat wave of 1988, I observed many dead trout. This is consistent with the decline in the number of trout of all sizes recorded in shocking studies that followed.

My third point is simply to state a wish that lovers of the Stump Pond and lovers of trout habitat can avoid a collision course that would make one party or the other losers in a legal contest that would be expensive and further divide the community. The best possible outcome would first require study and fact finding, leading to an engineered solution.

I hope others agree that cooperation and pooled resources is the first priority for organizations and individuals seeking to preserve the Stump Pond and the cold water heritage of the AuSable River.

Don A. Boyd
Grayling/Wayland

Almanack

Richard Millman

Michigan primary made a difference

IT SEEMS SO LONG ago already, almost like ancient history.

Reference is to the St. Patrick's Day presidential primary in Michigan. Could it really be that the political excitement generated within the state by that event already is evaporated, almost as if the primary never existed?

The primary period was an exciting time for those who devour politics.

President George Bush darted into and out of the state. So did Vice President Dan Quayle, both of them working hard for a strong Bush turnout at the primary. Republican challenger Pat Buchanan worked hard, too, probably matching the Bush-Quayle team in time in-state and effort.

Gov. Bill Clinton hopped between Michigan and Illinois, spending loads of time and energy in both. Former Sen. Paul Tsongas did the same, probably devoting a bit more time here than there. Former Gov. Jerry Brown, in his ever-present blue satin UAW jacket, became almost a fixture at plant gates and union halls and other political greeting spots.

YES, IT WAS AN exciting and action filled time for those who take their politics seriously.

It was a glorious time for the money counters at Michigan's television stations, too. Political ads enveloped viewers.

And for the first time in a long time, Michigan presidential decisions made a difference. Michigan's decisions were important.

The Michigan primary knocked Mr. Tsongas out of the race. It gave new life to Mr. Brown, although it made Mr. Clinton a practical shoo-in

for the Democratic nomination. If Mr. Clinton tucks the nomination under his arm in New York in August — as he most probably will — he can look back to Michigan (and maybe Illinois, too) as the place where it all became a certainty.

MICHIGAN VOTERS clipped

Mr. Buchanan's wings a bit, too. After Michigan, Mr. Buchanan promised to trim his sails and alter his campaign style, vowing to stop chastising Mr. Bush so severely and turning his fire on Democrats instead.

If Michigan is the place where Mr. Clinton won his nomination, it also is the place where Mr. Buchanan lost any hope he might have entertained for the 1992 nomination.

Whatever happened to David Duke? Michigan Republican leaders fought to keep Mr. Duke off the Republican ballot, and lost. That really didn't matter. David Duke was no factor in Michigan at all.

The dissidents who might have rallied to the Duke banner found a more believable champion in Mr. Buchanan.

Although many Republicans feel that Mr. Buchanan has done their party a disservice in his challenging attacks on George Bush, he also has done the GOP a big favor — he buried David Duke for this year.

SO, AT LONG LAST, Michigan has made a big difference in the presidential nomination process. It didn't really happen in 1988, as Republicans who held January caucuses and Democrats who backed Jesse Jackson hoped it might.

It didn't really make a difference in



1972, when Republican crossovers and dissident Democrats gave George Wallace the Democratic presidential primary nod.

But in 1992, the Michigan primary has made a difference. It's about time.

As for the primary itself, if it was exciting and significant — which it was — why didn't more people vote? Only about 20 percent of those eligible bothered to vote. Some of those, according to press accounts, declined to vote once they got to the polls because they didn't want to declare their party allegiance.

The reason for the low turnout has got to be because of the nature of the primary. This year, for a change, voters had to divulge whether they wanted to vote Democrat or Republican. Technically, only Democrats required disclosure, but if you didn't declare yourself as a Democrat, only the Republican ballot was left; voters didn't have to say they were Republicans, but what else is there?

Obviously the closed primary was a big mistake as far as most voters are concerned. Thousands expressed their disapproval by staying away. Many of those who did vote didn't like it either, but wanted to vote anyway.

The plan probably will change before next time. But even so, it's going to be difficult for the 1996 primary — if there is one that year in Michigan — to make a bigger difference in the current political picture than this year's Michigan primary did.

Letters To The Editor

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten but please double space or use every other line.

Every letter must be signed and an address or phone number should be included. Letters will not be published without the author's name.

Letters are limited to 750 words.

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not reflect the views of the Crawford County Avalanche.

Deadlines

Community news items submitted to the Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in our Wednesday issue. Letters to the Editor and photographs must be turned in by Friday noon to be considered for the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-by-11-inch paper, typed, and double-spaced. Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on lined paper please use every other line.

Northern Views

By Jon Thompson

If you're drinking coffee and reading the Avalanche, put your cup down before continuing. You might gag on the bad news that's heading our way.

According to a story we just picked up from our newly fabricated wire service at the Avalanche, Grayling has been selected as the site for a big get-together by a very strange California cult.

Why would a California group pick Grayling? The strange wire service story says this cult actually worships the jack pine tree and once every five years the group travels to the midwest to an area filled with jack pine to hold a festival. They've targeted Grayling for next year's festival slated for April 1st, 1993.

From reading this mendacious story, the cult is not a peaceful group. In 1988 they invaded Gullible Falls, Minnesota, for their strange festival and on April 1, 1988, all heck broke loose.

About 600 of them paraded around a long fence made of jack

pine stumps on private property owned by a farmer, and then they set fire to the fence. As the giant bonfire burned, they danced around it, sang old school fight songs, and tried performing as many "Stupid Pet Tricks" as they could think of.

After police were called out to disperse the group, several small bands of the jack pine fanatics went around later that night cutting down large Colorado blue spruce trees and white pine trees on lawns of rich property owners. They used chain saws to cut the big trees and then planted small jack pines to replace the large trees.

The weird group, based at a commune outside of Jokesonyou Canyon, California, numbers only about 624 currently, but the wire service story said the group is sprouting — I mean growing. The recent rainy season in California apparently has been good to the group.

Not only does this odd group worship the jack pine as part of its religion, the group also burns jack

pine for heat and cooking, uses the sap for soap, and uses the pine needles to stuff pillows and for insulation in sleeping bags. I've also heard this cult smokes the jack pine bark but who could believe that?

I thought this kind of fruit-cake stuff only happens in California, not in the serene north of Michigan.

To confirm my fears this was not a group we wanted to welcome to Grayling, I started calling federal law enforcement agencies for more information. I found out the group is being watched by a corporate division of the FBI — the Federal Occult Operation Lawmen. F.O.O.L. federal agent Arnold Rambowski told me there is something Grayling can do.

Rambowski said the group wants publicity to continue growing.

"That's why they camp out on the main streets of little towns like Grayling during these festivals instead of out among the jack pines," he said.

If we're really serious about opposing this group, he said we should shut the town down when they come.



Rambowski said he could obtain permission to close off I-75, Old 27, and M-72 East and West and reroute traffic through Frederic. After two to three days of no traffic, television crews, or other curious on-lookers from out-of-town, he's guessing they would move on.

"This is the only way to stop them," he said. "You can't deny them access to the town because their rights are protected by the 82nd amendment to the constitution."

Some type of action needs to be taken to prevent this nonsense that happened in Gullible Falls on April 1st, 1988, from happening again in Grayling on April 1st, 1993. If you're for stopping this cult, call the Avalanche before April Fool's Day and leave your name and number. We'll keep track of who calls and who feels the same way you do.

Let's Talk About It

By Joe Murphy

If the old man's short term memory gets much worse I will be in real trouble. So much of the time now if I go to another room to get something by the time I get there I forget what I went after. I will put something away carefully right where I can find it again then spend hours searching for where I put it. If I lay down a tool such as a screw driver, I can't find it again until days later, then I can only wonder how a tool I was using in the basement winds up in the garage.

When I go out hunting I can be sure I will wind up hunting for where I parked my car. I guess I will have to get me a note book and write down a lot of stuff I used to be able to trust to memory. Still as long as my long term memory is still working I really can't complain.

Bill Granlund who writes a very interesting history column that appears in the Northern Star has sent me some fine information on life on the AuSable in the old days. In 1933 the Avalanche and H. B. Smith sponsored an essay contest which was won by H. C. McKinley for his story on the early days on the AuSable. He lived along the river some five miles east of Grayling in 1878 where his daughter Lena was the first white child born in the area east of Grayling. I think anyone with any interest at all in local history will find his stories spellbinding. He

went on to become the second editor of the Otsego County Herald Times. I hope the entire essay will be printed soon in the Avalanche so everyone can enjoy it.

Some of his stories confirm what old timers told me when I was a child about wounded buck deer charging at you. A lot of the old timers told hair raising tales of being attacked by wounded bucks. I guess it stands to reason that in their early encounters with man, deer had really no great fear of them. The deer's only enemy being the wolves, where a buck's antlers were a good weapon when he was endangered by them, would carry over to his early encounters with man. The thought of well antlered buck coming at you with that head covered with bayonets is kind of bone chilling if you were standing there with an empty gun.

As of this date (March 22) we have not had much nice weather yet. Sure hope that spring soon gets around to paying us a visit. I know that a lot of folks feel a little betrayed by the weather. But I guess it will have to happen soon if we are going to have summer this year. I forget when summer was last year, but I think it was the 23 of July.



Notes From The Woods

By Nancy Lemmen

You fall in love, you make your vows, you take your chances.

You're young and newly married and a glorious future lies ahead of you with its myriad of opportunities.

You envision your years together. They will include, at their end, a satisfying retirement.

Both of you will still be in good health. Your investments and pensions will more than adequately cover all your needs and wants, as well as annual rising costs.

Maybe you will sell your home, which then will be too big for just the two of you. If you do part with it, you will make a handsome profit on its sale. If you decide to remain, it is so that there will be plenty of room when the kids bring their children home for happy family vacations.

Perhaps you will choose to remain in your home town throughout the spring, summer and fall months. Then in the winter you will drive off in your air-conditioned sedan or motor home for sunnier and warmer environs. Florida. Arizona. Texas. Maybe you will even be particularly

adventurous and retire to Mexico.

Your bodies will stay strong so that you can continue to enjoy your favorite sports together. Golf. Tennis. Running. Walking. Fishing. Gardening.

Your minds will remain alert so that you can go on with mental activities. Bridge. Books. Plays. Concerts. Movies.

You will either stay in your own place and have lots of time for extended yard and upkeep work or you buy a pretty little condo and pay someone else to do it for you.

Your children will have grown and made satisfying, fulfilling lives for themselves. They probably will have married. There will have been no divorces.

Certainly there will be grandchildren in the picture. Lots of well-dressed, well-disciplined, well-mannered, well-adjusted little boys and girls who love to come to visit grandma and grandpa.

You will live into your early eighties or perhaps even longer. Your same-age friends will also still be around. Even though you once were too busy for regular good times with them, now that you're all retired, you will have

loads of fun together.

Maybe fate will smile on you. Maybe you will be one of the lucky ones.

Maybe your dreams—silly things—will really come true.

DREAMS THAT DON'T COME TRUE

What were poor John Kingery's dreams once upon a time when he and his bride were young and their world spun more slowly and the possibilities seemed limitless and happy?

Kingery is the poor old Oregon man—actually once from Flat Rock, Michigan—who was dropped off at a race track in Post Falls, Idaho, two weeks ago. Officials found him in his wheelchair, dressed in diapers, a sweat suit and a baseball cap with the words "Proud to be American" written on it.

Pinned to his wheelchair was a note that identified him only as "John King." It also said he had no income, no savings, was incontinent, but could walk and eat.

The last I read in the newspaper was that Kingery is being returned to Portland where a public guardian will

probably be appointed for him.

Poor, poor, poor man. Where is his wife? Perhaps he is a widower. Or maybe divorced. His grandchildren in Michigan said they had not been in contact with him for at least 15 years.

He had been living in a nursing home until recently when his daughter checked him out and presumably began the chain of events that led him to the racetrack in Idaho.

What were John Kingery's dreams when he was a young man?

And more to the point, what do those dreams matter now?

You live the life you get. Nothing more, nothing less.

Plan all you want.

But make no mistake about it. If life decides to ram the soft flesh of your existence with its often ugly horns, toss you into the air, send you crashing to the hard earth and make your existence a living hell, there is little—if anything—you can do about it.

Just ask my mother.

DREAMS CHANGE

She can tell you how about her dreams of years ago. And about how

she and my father worked their dream. How they raised three decent children and put them through college. How they both worked hard and saved money. How they often went without amenities so the savings would be there when they reached that golden age of retirement.

And she can also tell you about her life as it is today.

There are no winters in Florida. There are no cross-country car trips. There are no weekends at the lake. There are no bridge games with friends. There are no parties. There are no satisfying conversations about the kids, the grandkids, the weather, anything.

There is no more conversation.

There is only the day-to-day burden of being the primary caregiver for an Alzheimer's disease victim.

She goes to bed every night knowing that he won't be any better tomorrow than he was today. And there's a good chance he'll be worse. And that this cycle will repeat itself for who knows how long. And then he will die.

In all likelihood, the dying process will be long and ugly and undignified. With luck, perhaps another disease will

hit and end it all sooner rather than later.

But she isn't counting on luck. Luck hasn't been that good to her lately.

Would she ever dress him in a sweatshirt, pin a note to him and dump him off? No, of course not. Never.

She will keep him at home until she can no longer handle the increasing physical challenges, emotional burden and mental agony.

But I think she might empathize with the daughter in Oregon who evidently couldn't take any more and so attempted to dump her problem on public officials rather than continue to suffer with it herself.

END OF THE DREAM

Then what has happened to your dream when the husband is no longer the husband. The father is no longer the father. The patient is barely even human. Now he is only The Problem.

My mother can tell you what has happened to the dream.

It has become your worst nightmare.

And it doesn't go away when you wake up.

St. John Lutheran plans centennial celebration

St. John Lutheran Church of Grayling has planned nine months of special occasions to celebrate their founding. The church started in Grayling on April 24, 1892. Here are the special dates to celebrate the centennial.

April 26: Centennial Party and Holy Communion, former Pastor Haskel and

Pastor Kocher from Western District ELCA.

May 31: Honor Mothers and Womens Groups, Pastor Northcott, Mission Partner Church.

June 21: Celebration Banquet and Holy Communion, Bishop Holle from ELCA synod.

July 12: Danish Heritage Day, Rev. John Christensen from former Danish

Evangelical Lutheran Church.

August 9: Honor Church Council and Men of the congregation, Pastor Kocher from ELCA District.

August 16: Church Centennial Picnic at Hartwick Pines.

September 13: Recognition of Sunday School and Teachers, Melvin Moore, Speaker.

October 11: Recognition of Confirmation, Pastor VonSeggern from Gaylord Peace Lutheran.

November 8: Old Hymns and Music, Rev. Heidel from Evart Lutheran.

December 13: Advent...Beginning a New Year, Pastor Fraser from Grayling Methodist.

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All baseball players ages 8-15 interested in joining Little League teams need to register at R & H Sports from April 6 to April 22.

The baseball divisions include minor league for ages 8-10, major league for ages 10-12, and senior league ages 13-15. Try-outs for the major league will be held from 11 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 25, at Millikin field. Try-outs for the senior league will be held noon to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 25, at Millikin field.

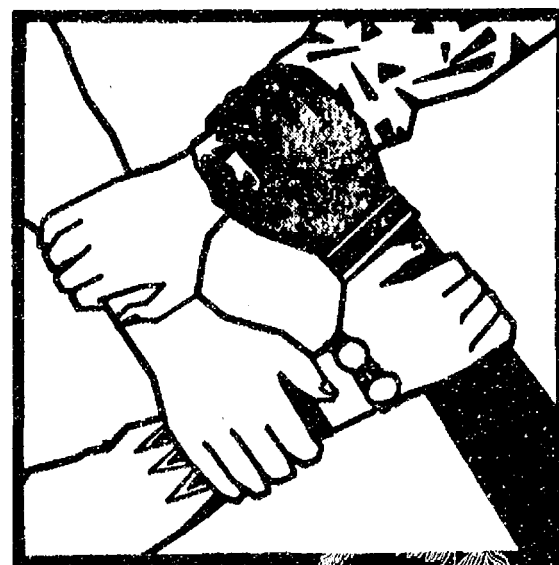
The draft for all three leagues will be held at 6 p.m. Sunday, April 26, at the Grayling Holiday Inn.

The Grayling Little League will be using three fields this year for the minor and major leagues. There are two fields at the North Down River Road site and one field at the county fairgrounds. The senior league division uses the Grayling High School field for home games.

Registration cost is \$15 a player. Families with two or more players pay no more than \$30.

A field work date has been set for 9 a.m. Saturday, April 4, at Millikin field. Parents with players in the program can help the volunteer board members prepare the fields for games.

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ENGAGEMENT—The engagement of Ann Rosseter to Marc A. Norcross, both of Lansing, is announced. She is a graduate of Michigan State University and is vice president of advertising for Mica Consulting. He is a graduate of Lake Linden-Hubbell High School, attends Michigan State University and is employed by United Parcel Service. The couple plan a January 2, 1993, wedding at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Lansing. She is the daughter of Betty and Edward A. (Al) Rosseter Jr. of Dimondale. He is the son of Jacqueline and John Norcross of Grayling.

GED students working toward May graduation

GED students at the Adult Learning Center are enthusiastic and serious about graduation this May. Class excitement is growing. At this time of year, each new test date adds at least one more name to the graduation list.

The GED classes are divided into five subject areas: Literature, Writing, Social Studies, Science, and Math. Each area is studied by the student individually until they are ready to take that specific exam. The student then begins the next subject and so on until all five exams are completed. Students are in the program from 1 1/2 months to three years on the average; this depends on the students.

When an individual enters the GED program, a set of five predictor tests are given to determine which area of study the student will begin in. The teachers explain the individualized program, and the students progress at their own pace.

Students in the program are 18 years of age or older, all working together

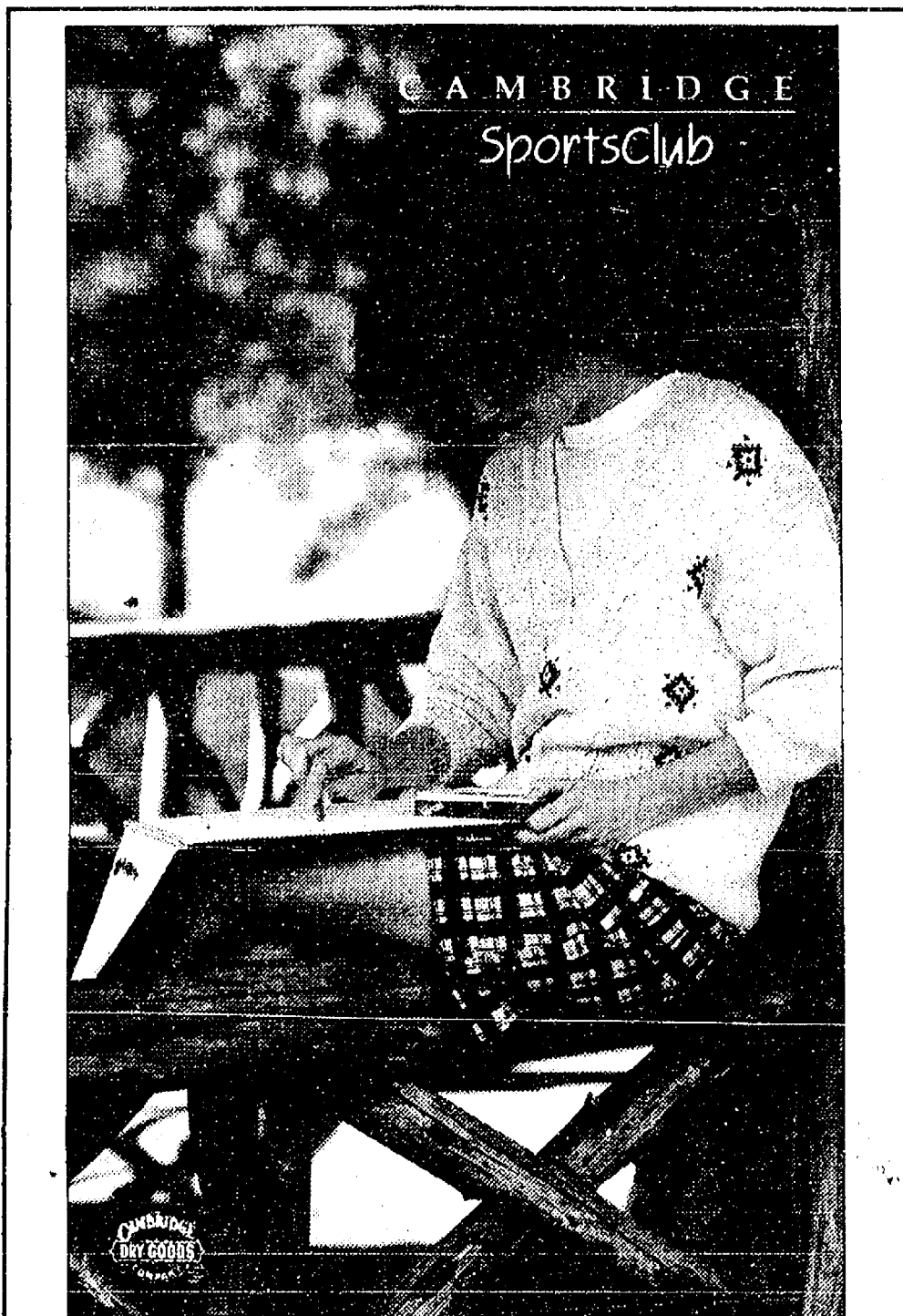
for a common bond. The group becomes close, friendships develop. Special events are a part of the program; students get involved planning and preparing for various occasions. A closeness develops among the students.

The requirements for entering the GED program are basically quite simple. You need to stop by the Adult Learning Center located on the grounds of Hanson Hills. They will give you an ABE test, to determine your class placement. Then you will be enrolled in the program. The program is designed for adults in the Crawford AuSable School District who have not yet completed high school. There is no charge for this program and new students are admitted regularly. GED classes run from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, Tuesday through Friday.

Robert J. Hannan, Director of the Adult & Community Education Program, invites interested persons to drop in and see the program.



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED—Mary Jane (Leininger) Goss of Grayling and A.J. Wilcox of Palm Bay, Florida are very pleased to announce their engagement. An April 18, 1992, wedding is being planned.



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Senior Citizen News

By Jan Farley

How would you like to be of enormous help to the Senior Citizen's Center? Let me count the ways. . . Our Senior Quilting Ladies do beautiful quilts, on consignment for people in this community, however, they are short-handed and need your help. All you need is a thimble and needle and a willing hand. The ladies meet every Wednesday at 10 a.m., stay for lunch, and continue quilting until around 2 p.m.

. . . Another way would be helping to determine whether or not our three-wheel bicycles are fixable. They need to be either repaired, cannibalized for their parts, or junked, but we need someone with some expertise to tell us which way to go.

. . . Still another way would be volunteering to be a host and/or hostess for our dances by organizing a set-up and clean-up committee, see that everyone had a good time and in general be the host/hostess with the most/mostest on the ball! You could volunteer for one time or as many times as you wish.

. . . If you feel that you could help in any way, please give us a call or stop in and see us.

Please save your Spartan labels for us, just the UPC code, however, no pop cans. We can get 2 cents each and we want to save up for new glass cups. Thanks for saving the Glen's green slips too, we really appreciate your

efforts.

Congregate meals are served at 12 noon and five o'clock. Call for reservations, 348-7123. Donation for seniors, \$1.50, and \$2.50 cost for those under 60. Menus listed as **Lunch/Dinner:**

Wednesday-April 1-Parmesan Chicken/Beef Stroganoff;
Thursday-2-Kielbasa & Kraut/Liver & Onions;
Friday-3-Salisbury Steak;
Monday 6-Roast Beef/Fish;
Tuesday 7-Oven Fried Chicken/Turkey & Stuffing;
Wednesday-8-BBQ Pork/Chicken & Biscuits;
Thursday-9-Meatloaf/Hot Beef Sandwiches;
Friday-10-Roast Chicken.

Special Dates:

April 3-Frederic Satellite (and a reminder for the Lovells' Satellite that, due to Good Friday falling on their regular day, we will have their Satellite dinner the following Friday, April 24).

April 6-10 a.m., Advisory Council meeting.

April 7-5:30 p.m., Cards night.

April 8-Blood pressures and sugars taken 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and at 5:30 COA Board meeting.

April 9-Foot Clinic, by appointment.

April 10-11:30 a.m., South Branch Satellite and Dance with Tina at the Center.

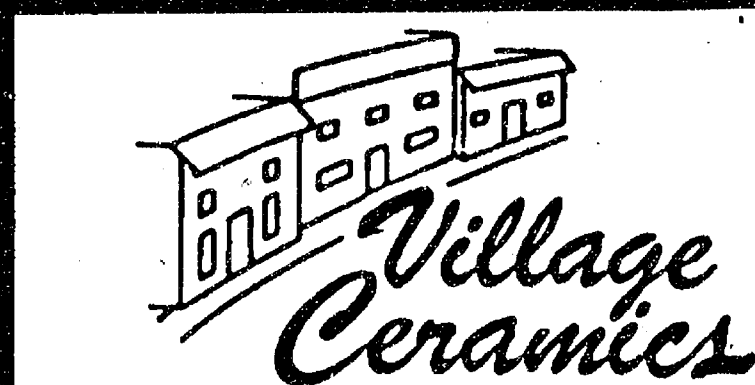
'Fit Forever' exercises shown to Lovells group

Wednesday, March 11, the Lovells Extension Group met at the township hall. After a luncheon hosted by Vickie Davio and Hazel Koernke, members participated in an exercise program presented by guest Ann Doty, a retired physical education teacher. Mrs. Doty, with the assistance of Ruth Beckwith and a visual tape, demonstrated exercises on three skill levels that can easily keep the mature person "Fit Forever." Mrs. Doty teaches a fitness class every Tuesday at the Senior Center.

The April 8th meeting will be held at the Ladies Clubhouse, with hostess Vi Bigford. The guest speaker will be Gail Edwards, and two members Mildred Johnson and Kathy Seaman will talk about "Changes in the extension." There will also be a silent auction.

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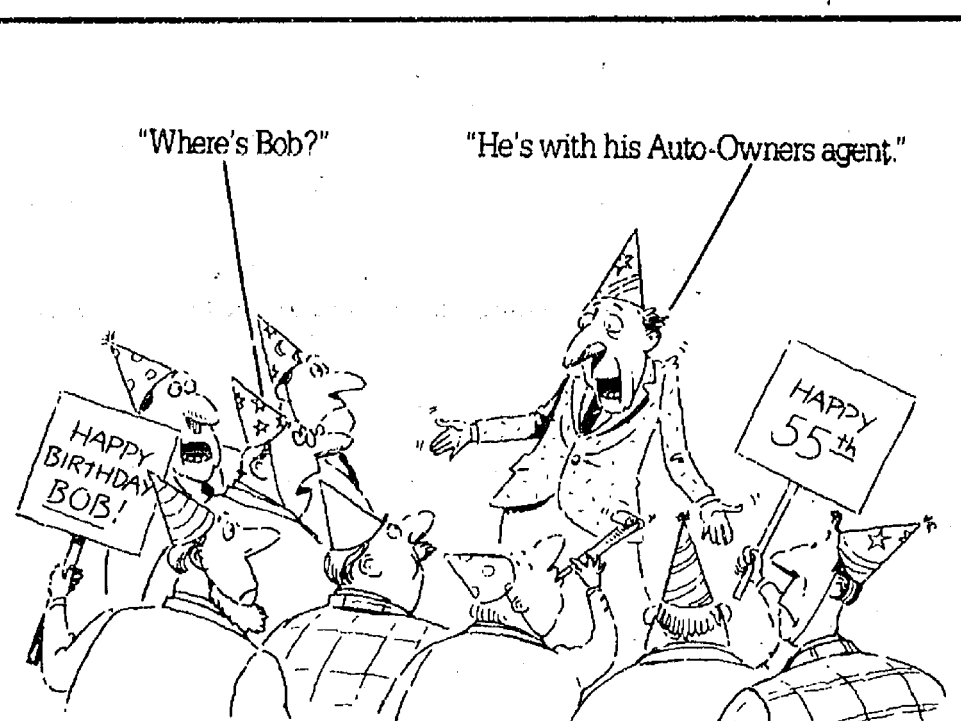
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Mercy Hospital presented organ donation award

Mercy Hospital/Grayling was presented with an award by the Organ Procurement Agency of Michigan (OPAM) at the annual meeting of the Transplant Society of Michigan (TSM), held in Lansing. Mercy was recognized because of their contribution and commitment to organ and tissue donation.

The meeting was significant as OPAM/TSM is celebrating 20 years of service to Michigan hospitals and

transplantrecipients. Featured speaker for the evening was Connie Binsfeld, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Michigan, who spoke about her family's personal experience while awaiting the donation of a heart for her son, John.

TSM/OPAM are the organizations responsible for organ procurement activities throughout the State of Michigan.



ROTARY DONATES--Rotary President Alton Davis presents a \$500 check to District Health Dept. nurse Marie Mahaney to buy 11 infant and 7 toddler car seats for the District Health Department's Maternal Support Services program. Mary Ann Bloomquist, center, head of volunteer services for the county's American Red Cross chapter, helped write the proposal to obtain funding for the program aimed to help needy pregnant women.

Bits Of Talk

by Fay Bovee

Don and Ann Stephan of Boise, Idaho, have been visiting their son, Bob and his wife and new baby in Lansing, and last Friday, March 27, all of them drove to Grayling to spend the day with Don's parents, Alva and Eva Stephan. Eva is recuperating very well from her recent surgery.

Vern, Joyce and Kay Fox spent two weeks in Florida and stopped enroute in Cartersville, Georgia, to visit former Grayling residents, Cal, Betty, and Nancy Knowles. The Foxes spent

several days at Epcot Center and visited Joyce's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sauders at Hudson, Florida. On the way home they stopped in Nashville to see the Ralph Emory show and also visited Mammoth Cave.

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Wheels and Water show slated at fairgrounds

On Saturday, May 2, the Crawford County Fair Association presents The Wheels & Water Show. The show will open at 10 a.m. and run until 5 p.m.

You'll see the newest in cars, trucks, motorcycles, ATVs, boats, pontoons, canoes, kayaks, and RVs at the Crawford County Fairgrounds. Dealers from across northern Michigan are participating.

Other attractions at The Wheels & Water Show will include an antique car display, 50s and 60s music, and refreshments.

Drawing for doorprizes worth at least \$25 will be held once an hour from entries collected at each exhibit.

Proceeds from The Wheels & Water Show will go to the Crawford County Fair and the Crawford County 4H Soccer Club.

Frederic News Cards of thanks

Workers in Frederic will be holding their sixth annual Easter egg hunt for the Frederic Elementary School on April 7th and 8th. For the Frederic and Maple Forest children, age three to preschool, it will be on Wednesday, April 8, at 11:30.

I would like to thank all my friends and co-workers in every department at Mercy Hospital for all their friendship and support during my stay in the hospital, and a special thanks to house-keeping department and 2-South.

Thank you
Dee Bloomfield

Grayling Recreation Authority

EASTER EGG HUNT SCHEDULED

The second annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Grayling Recreation Authority and many local businesses and organizations has been set for Saturday, April 18, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Hanson Hills Recreation Area. Youngsters ten years old and younger are invited to come out and hunt eggs, participate in games, refreshments, and more! Early registration is recommended by calling the Grayling Recreation Authority at 348-9266 before Thursday, April 16.

Registrations are now being accepted for the following activities:

BOYS AND GIRLS T-BALL

Boys and Girls grades Kindergarten through second. The season will start May 2 (weather permitting) and end June 27. Deadline for registration is April 24. Fee is \$16.50 which includes, t-shirt, hat, team picture, trophy, and party at season end. Games will be played on Saturday mornings at the Hanson Hills Recreation Area ball field. Volunteer coaches are needed.

BOYS AND GIRLS YOUTH SOFTBALL

This league is for grades third through fifth. The season will begin May 7 (weather permitting) and end

June 25. Fee is \$16.50 which includes t-shirt, hat, team picture, trophy, and party at season end. Games will be played on Thursday evenings at the Hanson Hills Recreation Area ball field. Deadline for registration is April 24. Volunteer coaches are needed.

BOYS AND GIRLS MIDDLE SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Boys and girls, grades fifth through eighth volleyball. The season will start May 26 and end on June 30. Games are played on Tuesday evenings in the Activity Center at the Hanson Hills Recreation Area. Fee is \$16.50 and includes t-shirt, team picture, award, and party at season end. Registration deadline is May 18. Volunteer coaches are needed.

BOYS AND GIRLS TEEN SOFTBALL

Teens in grades sixth through eighth. Teen Softball will start May 9 (weather permitting) and end on June 27. Fee is \$16.50 which includes t-shirt, hat, team picture, award, and party at season's end. Games will be played on Saturday afternoons at the Hanson Hills Recreation Area ball field. Deadline is April 24. Volunteer coaches needed.

CO-ED SLOW-PITCH SOFTBALL

Leagues start June 12 and will end

August 14. For adults ages 18 years and up. Games will be played on Friday evenings. Team fee is \$125. Fee includes eight games plus double elimination tournament, game balls, trophies, and an excellent and well-maintained facility.

MEN AND WOMEN SLOW-PITCH SOFTBALL LEAGUES

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SAT. 4	•MIDDLE SCHOOL SOLO ENSEMBLE in Gaylord.
SUN. 5	•JR. PRO MEETING @ Grayling Holiday Inn board room, 6:00 pm. •LITTLE LEAGUE MEETING @ Holiday Inn, 7:30 pm. •DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME - set clocks ahead one hour.
MON. 6	•PTO MEETING @ MS cafeteria, 7:00 pm.
TUES. 7	•SOCIAL SECURITY Representative @ County Building, 10:30 - 2 pm; call 1-800-234-5772. •KIWANIS LUNCHEON MEETING @ noon, Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel. •GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION luncheon meeting @ noon, Copper Kettle Steak House & Lounge.
WED. 8	•SCHOOL BOARD MEETING @ MS conference room, 7:00 pm. •ROTARY LUNCHEON MEETING @ noon, Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm, meeting 5:30 pm. •COA-Phyllis Brummer will be on hand from 9-11:30 to help Seniors with Medicare & Medicaid problems, or call 348-7123. •NORTH FLIGHT Ambulance crew will do blood pressure & blood sugar screening @ COA, 11-1:30 pm.

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Follow the Platte River across the Nebraska plains to historic Scottsbluff National Monument. See Hallets Peak mirrored in a beaver pond, one representative of the towering young peaks of the Rocky Mountain Range — 60 million years old — a mere strippling as mountains go in geologic time. Enjoy the spectacular hot springs, geysers and waterfalls of awe inspiring Yellowstone Park.

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See awesome Grand Canyon, the resplendent yawning chasm carved by the Colorado River through Arizona's rugged Coconino and Kaibab Plateaus. Bob's camera takes you to neon splashed Las Vegas standing in stark contrast to the surrounding arid desert plain.

Across the Nevada border we

journey to California's sun-baked fields wearing their summer robes of riotous many colored seed flowers. Dawdle at restored, historic, La Purisima Mission and enjoy its story of Spanish Conquistadores, Chumash Indians and Mission life. The journey ends in Lassen Volcanic Park at the foot of Lassen Peak, a mountain that belched fire and flame from its boiling interior back in 1914.

Tickets for this Travelogue are available by calling 348-7641, ext. 27, evenings or 348-5459, days. Travelers may also purchase tickets at the door of the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School prior to the performance at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 2.

Class of 1982 plans reunion

The GHS class of 1982 is planning a ten year class reunion for August and the following people have not been located: Kim Ayers, Donald Bancroft, David Burr, Catherine Churchman, Sheryl Colling, Catherine Diedrich, Michelle Devriendt, John Gardiner, Thomas Kequom, Lisa Logan, Ted Methner, James Miller, Lisa Mulligan, Jeffrey Stephan, John Watkins, Tina Watson, and Robert Wright.

If you have any information concerning the whereabouts of these people please contact Renee at 348-8320.



MEADOW BROOK ESTATE

MEADOW BROOK ESTATE performing here

The MEADOW BROOK ESTATE, Oakland University's Premier Show Ensemble, will perform in Grayling at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9, in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School.

The MEADOW BROOK ESTATE, under the direction of Mr. Karl Schmidt has performed throughout the United States, Mexico, and Canada.

The ESTATE, comprised of ten singer/dancers and an instrumental back-up of four musicians, produces a high energy performance with music from Broadway, Country, Light POP and Vocal Jazz.

The MEADOW BROOK ESTATE Performance is a partnership effort between the Crawford AuSable Community Education Program and

the Grayling Lioness' Club to help raise funds for the Lioness' Good Works Projects. Tickets are available through the Community Ed. office by calling 348-5459 days or 348-7641, ext. 27 during the evening. Also, tickets may be purchased from any Grayling Lions or Lioness' member.

The MEADOW BROOK ESTATE was conceived and founded in the Fall of 1977 by Dr. Raynold Allvin at Oakland University. Its purpose is to provide a training ground for talented young performers who aspire to careers in the entertainment industry. In the 14 years of its existence the program has graduated a host of young professionals who have gone on to pursue successful careers in all aspects

of the music field, including performance, recording, composition, management, and education.

The 'ESTATE' has entertained thousands of people the world over, including tours of Mexico, Canada and Europe. In the United States, appearances include concerts with the Detroit Symphony, the Meadow Brook Music Festival, the prestigious Spoleto Festival in Charleston, S.C., trade shows in Washington, D.C., San Francisco, New York City, Chicago and elsewhere, and hundreds of special shows for conventions and meetings, as well as numerous appearances on radio and television.

All seats for this performance are \$5.50 each.

Gillettes Celebrate 50th Grayling 7th in fundraising for public TV

Frederick and Jerrine Gillette, of Albion, will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, April 11th, during an open house at their home.

The celebration, which is open to family and friends, is hosted by the couple's children, Fred Gillette Jr. of Battle Creek, and Peggy Domingo of Marshall. It will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. The couple requests that there be no gifts.

The former Jerrine Mathews met Gillette when he was in the Civilian Conservation Corps at Higgins Lake. Gillette would hitchhike into Grayling, where he met his future wife.

They were married at the bride's home in Grayling on April 11, 1942. They have six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was a construction worker from 1946 to 1980 for various employers.

In 1956, he became a union bricklayer and retired from Bracy and Jahr Construction in 1980. He remains a member of Local 21.

Gillette was a member of the Civilian Conservation Corps from 1939 to 1941. He was inducted into Company G, 126th Infantry, 32nd Division in 1941. He transferred to the Air Force in 1942 and graduated from Officers Candidate School in March of 1943. He was discharged as First Lieutenant on December 10, 1945, at Patterson Field, Dayton, Ohio.

Mrs. Gillette is a homemaker and served as Brownie Leader from 1954 to 1957. She is a member of the Albion Garden Club, South Albion Extension Club and the Albion Hospital Service League. She is a lifetime member of the Entre Nous Club.

Central Michigan University Public Television's Festival '92 netted \$299,049 in pledges from public television viewers throughout central and northern Michigan. Grayling was seventh among cities for dollars pledged.

Pledges from Mt. Pleasant, Traverse City, and Gaylord generated nearly a quarter of the total dollars pledged. Contributors from Mt. Pleasant pledged \$27,799; Traverse City, \$20,750; Gaylord, \$19,935; Cheboygan, \$10,475; Manistee, \$10,360; Petoskey, \$7,805; Grayling, \$7,595; Clare, \$7,395; Alpena, \$6,780; and Cadillac, \$6,416 to round out the top ten cities.

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Photos and entry forms must be submitted to the State 4-H office by July 31. For more information, contact the Crawford County Extension Service office at 348-2841, ext. 264.

Kalkaska starting Kindergarten roundup

Kindergarten roundup will be held April 22-23, Wednesday and Thursday, at the Cherry Street Elementary School, in Kalkaska for children who will be five years old on or before December 1, 1992.

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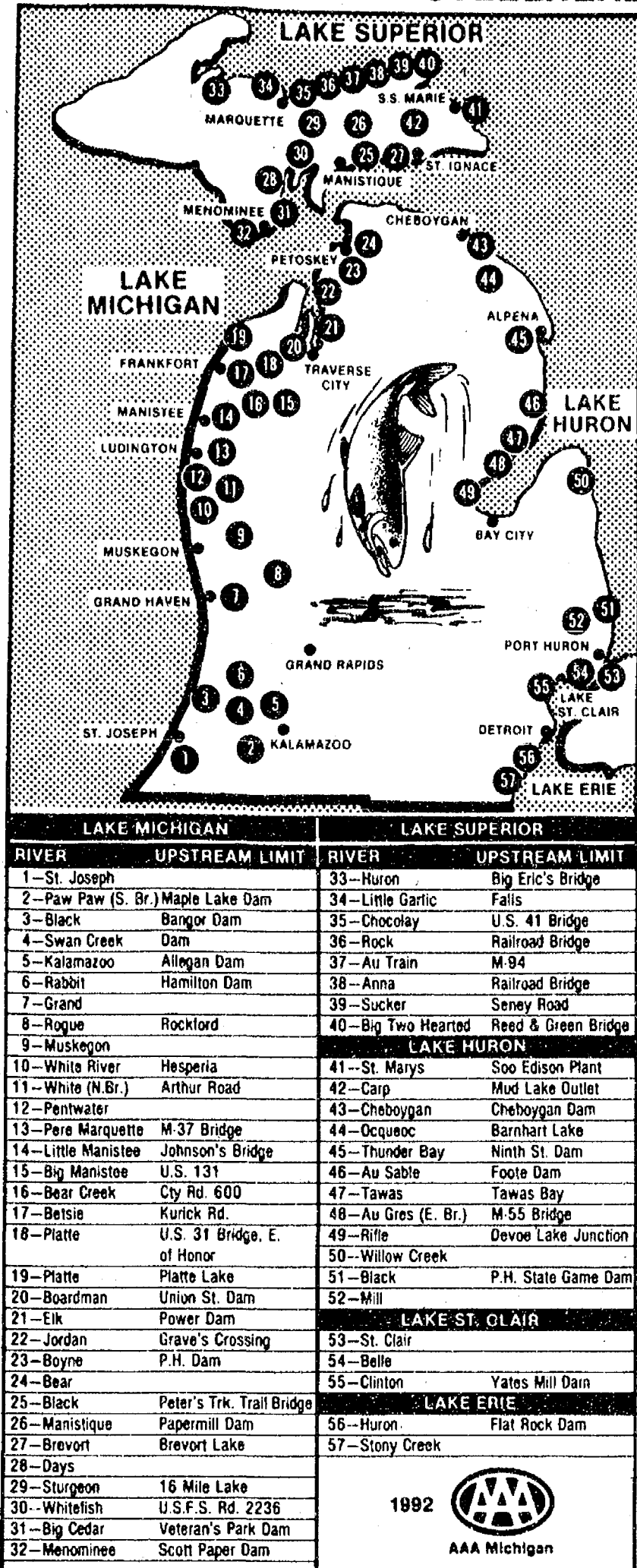
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57 SPOTS TO SEEK STEELHEAD



All Outdoors

By Scott Rasmuson

The calendar says it's spring, but the weather outside is more like winter. But take heart. The weather outside may put a damper on most outdoor activities, but not steelheading. When the weather is nasty like it is, it tends to bring out the steelhead and the people that fish for them.

These big rainbow trout (Oncorhynchus Mykiss) are returning to their birth place to spawn and start a new generation. This spring's returning steelhead has spent the last two to four years in the Great Lakes fattening up on alewives, chubs, and smelt preparing for the annual migration. Strong fall spawning runs and a fairly mild winter are two indications pointing to a good spring steelhead migration.

Michigan steelhead average six to ten pounds, with some going as big as 18 pounds. To catch these hard fighting fish you need better than average equipment. Your rod should be 8 1/2 to ten feet long with a medium to medium-light action. A quality spinning or casting reel with at least 150 yards of premium line in the four to 17 pound range is needed for steelhead. You can use the heavier line for lures and spinners, while using lighter line for bait and flies.

To get your bait or fly down to the fish you can use a three way swivel with drop sinkers or you can use a sliding sinker rig where the fish won't feel the weight as he picks up the bait.

If you don't bait fish and want to use fly fishing equipment, you need an

eight or nine weight rod about nine feet long. You can use a regular sink tip fly line or an intermediate line. You also need a good quality fly reel with an exposed rim and a good drag.

There are tons of lures and baits to use for steelhead. Some of these include: spoons, wigglers, flies, spinners, plugs, and spawn bags. When flyfishing try using the following: Springs wigglers (Clark Lynn nymphs), wollybuggers, micky finns, soft hackles, hex nymphs, skunks, and glo-bugs. Carry these patterns in sizes four through ten, and in a variety of colors.

A couple of other accessories that you need are a net and good pair of waders. The net should be fairly large with a short handle. I hook mine to a D-ring on the back of my vest with a french snap, this keeps it out of the way, yet very handy.

With water temps in the low 40s, it doesn't take long for your legs to get cold and make fishing uncomfortable. The best wader for this time of year are neoprenes. I wear a pair of 5-mil, boot foot Trek waders. I prefer the thicker neoprenes for warmth and the boot foot for ease of putting it on and not having to fumble with wet laces in cold weather.

Now that you have an idea of the equipment that you need and you want to go steelheading, here are a couple of important tips: make sure you have your new fishing license with a trout stamp, and to get on the stream early, I mean real early.

Singles Club meets April 4

The Singles Club will be meeting at the home of Les Hunter at 505 Park Street on Saturday evening, April 4, at 6 o'clock. Please bring your own table service and a dish to pass. Anyone wishing more information, call Les at 348-8311.

Health Department plans clinics

District Health Dept. No. 1 Crawford County office has planned the following clinics on these dates: Immunization Clinic, April 1; Family Planning Clinic, April 9 and 23; EPSDT Medicaid Screening, April 7 and 21.

If you would like information about our other programs, clinics, and services such as WIC, Premarital Education, Water Testing, Pregnancy Services, Foot Care Clinic, etc., call the Crawford County Health Department office at 348-7800.

Northland giving away 2,000 tree seedlings

As a sponsor of the Adopt-A-Forest campaign, Northland Area Federal Credit Union will be handing out 2,000 free tree seedlings to its members in their eight branch locations beginning on Earth Day, April 22.

The tree seedlings will wind up Northland Area Federal Credit Union's sponsorship of the Adopt-A-Forest campaign. The credit union has been actively participating in the campaign by collecting member and employee donations and has pledged to match donations up to \$2,500. The monies will go to Michigan United Conservation Clubs (M.U.C.C.) to help them in their cleanup efforts as they go out on April 25 and start cleaning the local National and State

forest lands. Terrance Bigda, President of Northland Area Federal Credit Union, said, "By giving out the tree seedlings as part of the Adopt-A-Forest campaign, we are not only asking members and employees to make a donation, but to also plant a tree to show their support for the preservation of our lands."

Northland Area Federal Credit Union will continue to accept donations for the Adopt-A-Forest campaign until April 25.

Tree seedlings will be given away until the 2,000 supply has been distributed.

Building director offers advice for homeowners

Crawford County residents should not pull a building permit for your builder on the builder's suggestion only, said Crawford County Building and Zoning director Bruce Jones. The builder is responsible for obtaining the permit in almost all cases, Jones said.

Jones also gave these recommendations: Check to see if your builder is licensed. Ask the builder to show you his/her wall or pocket license.

A builder's license is not required for commercial construction, residential work costing less than \$600, or work performed for an hourly wage.

To determine if your builder is licensed in good standing, call the Michigan Department of Commerce at 1-900-740-6111.

To ensure that all of the terms of your contract with your builder are met and properly completed, care should be taken to advance only as much money as would be considered a reasonable downpayment, said Jones. You also are encouraged to hold a substantial amount of money back pending satisfactory completion of the work. Or, contact your bank or savings and loan to discuss the possibility of opening an escrow account to handle disbursements of funds.

Obituaries

Mary Kucharek

Mrs. Mary C. Kucharek, 88, of Grayling, formerly of Gaylord, died Monday, March 23, 1992, at Mercy Hospital in Grayling. A parish wake service was held Wednesday evening, March 25, at 7 p.m. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 26, 1992, at 1:30 p.m. from the Nelson Funeral Home, and 2 p.m. from St. Mary Cathedral. Burial was in Resurrection Cemetery in Vanderbilt.

Mrs. Kucharek was born May 26, 1903, in Gaylord, and had lived most of her life in Gaylord on the family farm. In June of 1925 she married Charles Kucharek. In 1982 she moved to Grayling, living at AuSagra Manor. While in Gaylord, Mrs. Kucharek was a member of St. Mary Cathedral parish, and while in Grayling was a member of St. Mary's parish.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Kucharek, in 1974, and by her daughter, Virginia Sewell, in 1982. Mrs. Kucharek is survived by five sons, John, Edward, and William Kucharek, all of Grayling, Lewis Koharik of Livonia, and Robert Kucharek of Gaylord; 17 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and one brother, William Samkowiak of Indian River.

Cards of Thanks

A special thank you to Dr. Ramaswamy and the nurses at Mercy Hospital for their wonderful care. Also to Pastor Stramel and my church family, the churches who had me on their prayer lists, my many friends and family for their prayers, cards and flowers.

God bless you all
Eva Stephan

Eva Harland

Eva Francis Harland, 90, of Grayling, died Monday, March 30, 1992, at Mercy Manor Nursing Center in Grayling. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, April 1, 1992, at 2 p.m. at William Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, in Royal Oak, with the Rev. Charles Ewing officiating. Burial will be in Oakview Cemetery.

Mrs. Harland was born January 16, 1902, in Grayling. She lived in Ferndale for 66 years. While living there she was a member of the Ferndale Senior, a member of the Dorcas Esther Circle at Campbell Memorial Methodist Church, and was a cook at St. Mary Convent in Royal Oak for 16 years. After returning to Grayling, she was a resident of Mercy Manor where she was crowned Yearle and was presently the Queen. Mercy Manor is located right across the street from the house in which she was born. Mrs. Harland was preceded in death by her husband, Fred, on March 1, 1963, and son, Gerald Harland on July 14, 1956.

Survivors include: sons, Alfred and Mary Harland of Grayling and John and Marie Harland of Madison Heights; sister, Esther Hall of Grayling; sister-in-laws, Margaret Jennings of Hazel Park and Kathryn Jennings of Warren; 11 grandchildren; and nine great grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the organization of their choice.

Drivers education applications available

Applications for summer's drivers education can be picked up at the high school office.

Hurl Millikin

Hurl N. "Sonny" Millikin, 68, of Pamona, California, died Thursday, March 26, 1992. Funeral services will be held Saturday, April 4, 1992, at 1 p.m., at St. Michael Catholic Church in Roscommon, with Fr. John McCracken officiating. Burial will be in Higgins Cemetery.

Mr. Millikin was born March 7, 1924, in Williamson, to Hurl D. and Marguerite L. (Palmer) Millikin. Prior to moving to Pamona, California, he lived in Williamson, Roscommon, and Alma. He worked for Alma Piston Co. for 15 years as a CPA and then moved to Pamona and worked for Tomadur Engineering Co. for 30 years as a CPA retiring in 1989. He was a graduate of Gerrish-Higgins High School, June 3, 1942. He also served in the U.S. Army Air Corp. in World War II.

Survivors include: sons, Michael, Phillip and Stephen, all of East Lansing, and David of Monterey, California; daughters, Susan Waltman of Pamona, California, Sandy Hunsucker of Lawton, Oklahoma, and Sharon Livingood of Asheville, North Carolina; 14 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; brother, Robert of Holt; sister, Joyce Henning of Roscommon; and several nieces and nephews.

Grayling Women's Aglow meets

Grayling Women's Aglow will meet April 3, at 7 p.m. at the Crawford AuSable Day Care Center on Old Lake Road.

The guest speaker will be Sherry Washburn from the Gaylord Assembly of God. Sherry is a Minister of the gospel, worship leader, and Sunday School Superintendent in her church. Everyone is invited. Refreshments to follow. For more information, call 348-8549, or 348-8314 evenings.

Girl softball survey started

The Grayling Little League is conducting a survey to find out how many girls, ages 10-15, are interested in playing softball.

Parents who haven't filled out a survey can stop by the Kmart in Grayling noon to 8 p.m. Friday, April 3, or Saturday, April 4, to fill out a survey form. Anyone interested in coaching or helping can call Bud Morgan, 348-2548.

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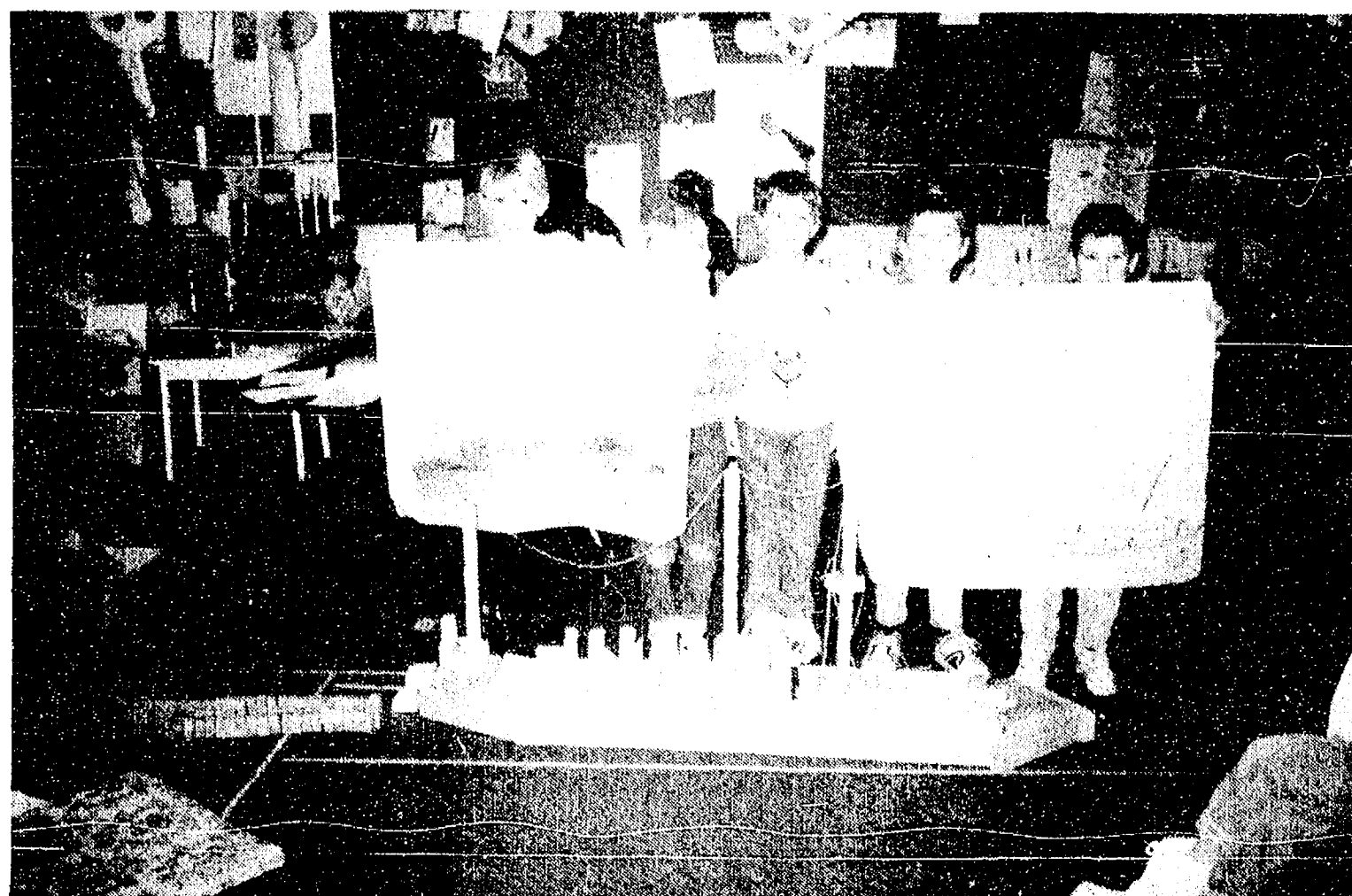
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SHIP BUILDERS--Aaron Mata, Larry Baynham, and Bruce Dratnol, Frederic Elementary second graders, are building a replica of the ship the *Titanic*.



SHIP DESIGNERS--Jeff Pasternak, Scott Latusek, Larry Baynham, Bruce Dratnol, and Matt Tuck, Frederic Elementary second graders share their drawing of the *Titanic*. They are standing behind a replica of the *Titanic* built by students in the block area.

Grayling Elementary School

(The following poems were written one afternoon when the sun was shining in Miss Williams' first grade.)

Shante Reynolds

It was sunny
and it was cold
and it was beautiful

Toshia Butts

The sun shines at me
like a crocodile.
And the sun is yellow.
And it is a little fun to me.
And it looks a little like my yard.
And it was fun outside.

Shawn Hammond

It was sunny one day
and cold.
And I liked it.

Sean Doyle

Today is pretty
I think I will take a walk
to see pretty things.
And I think I will smell the air.

Jared Welch

It was warm,
because it is almost summer.
And the birds are coming back
from The East.
And the animals are waking up
from hibernating.

Willy Brewer

Snow in the Sewer
The snow is in the sewer.
Because the snow is melting.
Why?
Because it is almost summer.

Regina Young

I saw grass.
Warm, warm outside.
Dripping outside.

School Page



DESERVING READERS--These children from Frederic Elementary School were selected as "Most Deserving Reader" for the month. Back row, left to right, Brandon Hoggard, Kristen Gaertner, Dawn Adloff, Kelly Wilson, and Randi McEvers. Front row: Jennifer Dean, Lance Harmer, Penny Rosin, Heather Matthews, James Pease, James Domcik. Absent from the picture is Jessica Schwartz.

Grayling Elementary School

Jory Harland

The Learning Center, Miss Wetzel
The Summer

In the summer I have fun in the hot sun. It is hot in the sun and I swim a lot. I also ride my bike. You can have fun too. I hope you have a lot of fun. I sure will!

Joey Miller

The Learning Center, Miss Wetzel
Working With My Dad Tom Miller

I work with my dad at Hartwick Pines. We cut the wood with an old saw. My dad cuts the logs in small pieces. It takes a long time to cut the logs, sometimes the belt breaks and the saw stops working. When the belt breaks we take it off the saw and we fix it. When it's fixed we put it back on the saw, start up the machine, and begin to cut logs again. Next to the saw there is a wood stamp. When my dad is done cutting the logs, Tom Jr. stamps the wood with a red hot wood stamp. Willie keeps the stamp hot by turning a crank that heats the coals. When the stamp is red hot Tom Jr. takes it out of the fire and he stamps the wood. When Tom Jr. is done stamping the wood, I put it by the people. If the people like it they may take it.

Jessica

The Learning Center, Miss Wetzel
Fun In The Summer

I like summer because the fair is here. At the fair they have cotton candy and ice cream. There are rides too. In the summer you can go to the beach, swim, and sit in the sand. Its weather is hot and the grass is green. The sky is as blue as my mom's eyes.

Food service topic for next P.T.O. meeting

The school food service program will be the topic for the Parent Teacher Organization meeting Monday, April 6th, at 7 p.m. in the Middle School cafeteria. Assistant superintendent Paul Lerg will be the guest speaker.



JUMP ROPE FOR HEART--Hundreds of Grayling Elementary students jumped rope for the American Heart Association Tuesday, March 24. There were so many students and parents, the gym was filled and the activity spilled over into the halls. Jump Rope For Heart promotes the benefits of regular exercise and a healthy lifestyle, plus it raises money for the Michigan chapter of the American Heart Association.

Grayling Middle School

Ravi Ramaswamy

Mrs. Wagar 6th grade

Why?

Why do people have middle names?
I don't know why do you?

Why does everyone have Two eyebrows?
Are they just for decoration?

Why is the sky colored blue?
Was it just painted That way?

Why haven't we met any Aliens yet?
Are we the only ones Living?

Why can't we see the end Of the universe?
Does it really go on forever?

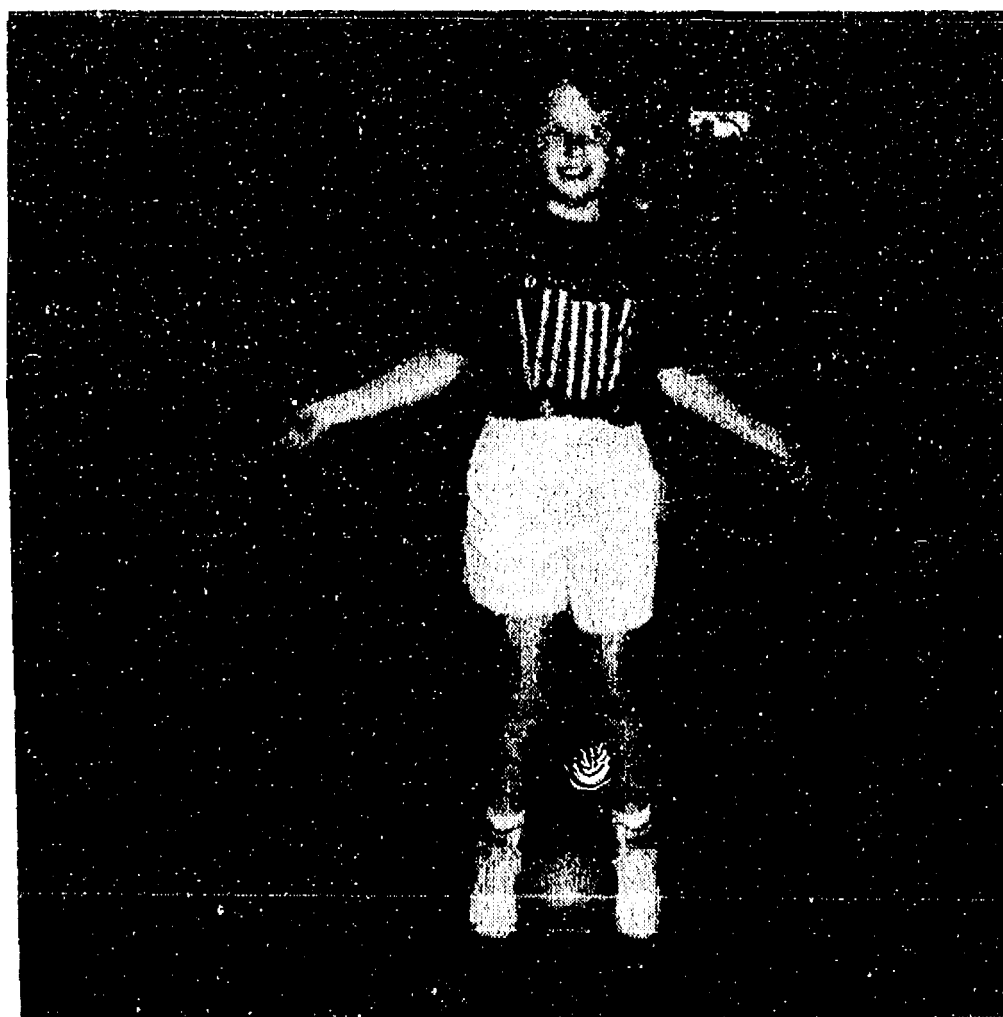
Why, why, why, why, why,
Why, why do I have so Many questions?



Grayling Elementary School

The Ruined Picnic
written by Miss Loft's 1st grade

One day Tom and Susie had a picnic. The sun was shining. Then the wind blew. The cups and the paper plates and the napkins blew off the big picnic table. Tom went to get his sister, Susie; when he got her they went back to pick up the cups and plates and napkins. Some clouds came along and covered up the sun. It started raining. Tom and Susie packed up and ran home. Lightning and thunder hit the sky and scared the children. When they got home the power was out. So they lit some candles and told ghost stories.



Verse or Worse

By Joe Murphy

Country Morning

The sun comes peeking over the hill
Gilding our world with its golden hue
And changing barren fields to a wealth of diamonds
As it sparkles off the morning dew

A robin red breast searches the lawn
For that reward of the early bird
From the willows along the river
Many song birds can be heard

A crow sits at the very top on that elm tree
He's on look out duty this morn
Keeping a sharp eye out for impending danger
As other rob the field of new planted corn

The cows come meandering up the lane
Seeking the relief that milking will bring
Soon their bulging udders will be drained
And the milk cooling in the spring

The farmer with breakfast over
Steps out to begin his busy day
When chores are over he'll be plowing
Fields to produce next winter's hay

The farmer's wife will plant her garden
To keep the family larder full
Knowing that it will keep the children busy
With a lot of weeds to hoe and pull

A family living and working together
And thanking the Lord for their food each meal
Living close to God and nature
A sharing and caring life that's real

Features



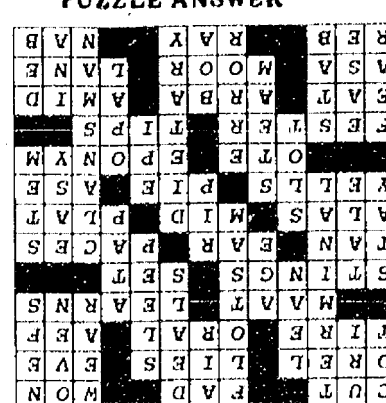
HUNTING DOG--This one-year male dog is ready to go hunting with you. Stop by the animal shelter along M-72 East 9-4 Monday through Saturday, or call 348-4117.

Pet Care Tip

Before you start your car or truck, it's inspection time. In addition to any pets you own, be aware of those from around the neighborhood. Driven to shelter by the cold, pets are frequently attracted to warm car engines for a moment of respite, says the Animal Protection Institute of America. Starting a vehicle without first checking for animals under the hood can result in a tragic death for the pet.

Weekend Crossword

THIS WEEK'S
PUZZLE ANSWER

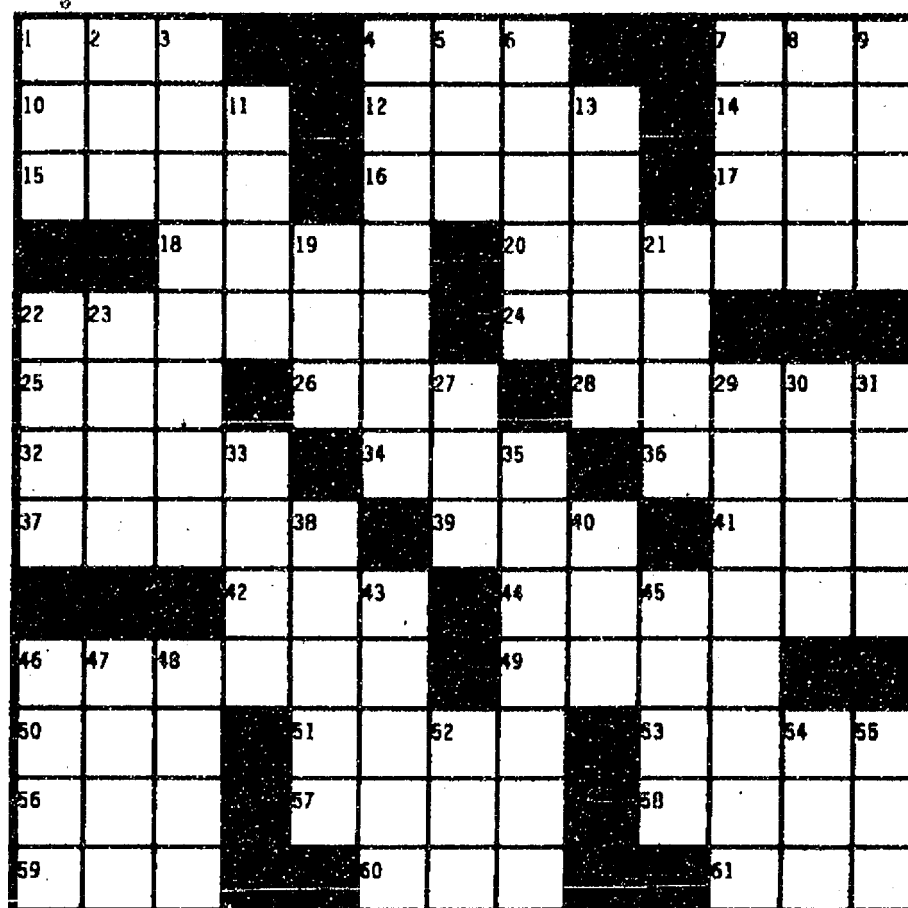


ACROSS

- 1 Snub
- 4 Fashion
- 7 Triumph
- 10 Rusa, city
- 12 Resides
- 14 Night before
- 15 Grow weary
- 16 Spoken
- 17 Am. Expeditionary force, Init.
- 18 Goddess of justice
- 20 Finds out
- 22 Smarts
- 24 Decline
- 25 Dress leather
- 26 Auricle
- 28 Galte
- 32 Woe is mel
- 34 Half-way
- 36 Lot
- 39 Dessert
- 41 Peer Gynt's mother
- 42 Colorado Indian
- 44 Something named after a person
- 46 Rankle
- 49 Confidential info, pl.
- 50 Dine
- 51 Turkish oxcart
- 53 Among
- 56 King of Judah
- 57 Anchor
- 58 Narrow street
- 59 Johnny
- 60 Beam
- 61 Catch

DOWN

- 1 Bed
- 2 Geller
- 3 Station
- 4 Wreckage
- 5 Bearing
- 6 Negotiates
- 7 Result of use
- 8 Baking chamber
- 9 Ship's clock, pl.
- 11 Tilt
- 13 Slumber
- 19 Mature
- 21 Nipa palm
- 22 Support
- 23 Story
- 27 Tear
- 29 Tribal member
- 30 Facile
- 31 Stop
- 33 Slatton
- 35 Pert, to food
- 38 Be angry
- 40 Upon, prefix
- 43 Mistake
- 45 Gern
- 46 Fright
- 47 Comfort
- 48 Stick
- 52 Neckpiece
- 54 Feminine suffix
- 55 Debutante, abbr.



A Look At Our Past from the pages of the Avalanche



DIAMOND WINNER -- Shown left to right are Jim Shepler, of Davis Jewelry, Mrs. Vern Fox of Grayling who was winner of the 1/4-plus carat (26 point) diamond ring given away during Davis' appreciation sale last week, and Miss Stephanie Raybould, Miss Grayling, who drew Mrs. Fox's name from those registered. The drawing was conducted last Saturday, March 29, at 8 p.m. at the store.

23 years ago April 3, 1969

Mrs. Vern Fox of Grayling was winner of the 1/4-plus carat (26 point) diamond ring given away during Davis' appreciation sale last week and Miss Stephanie Raybould, Miss Grayling, drew Mrs. Fox's name from those registered.

As of April 1, Clair Melroy, Jr., took over operation of the Grayling Standard Service station at 601 Cedar as well as continuing with Clair's Standard at 208 Cedar, having leased the former from Standard Oil Co. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Scarles, former operators, have given up their lease on the station.

This year marks the 32nd year of the Wolverine Boys' State program, in this, the 50th anniversary year of the American Legion.

Mike Hauxwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Hauxwell of Plum St., has been named by the American Legion Post 106 to attend Wolverine Boys' State on the campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing June 11 through 18.

Vern Hartman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Hartman of Lovells, is the choice of the Kiwanis Club for Wolverine Boys' State.

Ski Coach Mike Wieland accompanied a group of students by way of Nebraska to Arapahoe Ski Lodge at Dillon, Colo., for a week of skiing during Easter vacation. Those going were Jane Buron, Susan Madsen, Mary Hunter, Diane Duley, Kathy Rutkowski, Mickey Corlew, Susan Burns, Marcia Gallagher, Jerry King, Jim Knibbs, Mert Theaker, Jim Hatfield, Bill Hatfield, Dave Wyss, Tim Buron, Jay Woolley, Gary Wert, Dale Papendick, Vern Hartman, Tony Ellison and Brad Scher. They left Thurs-

day taking four cars, and expect to be back Easter afternoon.

Joe Thompson, Dave McClain, Rick Holmes, Mike Smock and Phil Stancil left Tuesday for Ft. Lauderdale to spend Easter vacation in the sun.

Randy Thompson, John Blaine and Bob Smock, Jr., left Thursday for Mt. Pleasant to pick up Kerry Clough and classmates from CMU, then drove to Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., for Easter vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kolka have returned from two weeks' vacation in the south. They went first to new Orleans, stopping to visit the Ted Hausman family at Indianapolis, Ind., enroute, then came east to Florida where they stopped at St. Augustine, visited the Ernie Turners in West Palm Beach, friends in Key West, then her cousins the Charles Paynes at Sarasota and on the way home visited other cousins, the Kurt Kerstens at Trenton, Mrs. L. E. Myers took care of the house and family while the Kolkas were away.

46 years ago April 4, 1946

The building to be used by the Grayling Glass and Oil Company for an office and storage of products and equipment is being erected on the company's property on US-27 south of the AuSable River. The building which covers an area 40X40 feet and is 20 feet high, is one of the Quonset huts made famous by the Army during the war. The structure is being erected by a crew hired by Art Clough, who is the district agent for the buildings. William Tufts, owner and operator of the Grayling Gas and Oil Company, which distributes Texaco and Firestone products, said the building will be finished and ready for use about April

15, when the concrete floor will be finished.

The Grayling Fire Department had a busy day Tuesday of this week, with three fires reported before 3 p.m. A bonfire near Mayor Burke's residence threatened to spread to nearby buildings but was speedily put out. A pile of logs at the Theodore Visnaw home mysteriously caught fire and the blaze was spreading when the fire engine arrived. It too, was under control before any damage was done. The extremely high wind that raged throughout the day Tuesday blew some sparks and burning paper from the dumping grounds beyond the fire land, burning several acres of brush and grass. It spread to Leo Isenbauer's property, but again was extinguished before damaging any timber.

The Penrod Cabins on the AuSable River in Grayling, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Glenn F. Penrod, have been sold to Dr. R. L. Barrus of Lansing, who will take over the operation of the cabin layout in the very near future. Dr. Barrus and his family will make their home in Grayling.

Mrs. Ruth Caid, Margie and Bud, who rented an apartment in Grayling during the winter months are now driving back and forth to school to finish the year.

Grover Cox, head bookkeeper at the Dore Manufacturing Company has brought the Biggs' home on Maple St.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Skinner and daughter, Frieda, of Longview, Wash., arrived in Grayling last Friday to visit Skinner's parents Mr. and Mrs. Jay Skinner, and his sisters and families, Mr. and Mrs. John Papendick, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Niederer.

J. E. Strong, who has been the Linotype operator at the Avalanche office for the past year and a half, left Saturday for his home in Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Davis have arrived from Chattanooga, Tenn., to make their home in Grayling. They are staying with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Easternman until they can find a place of their own.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Long and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cassel and family, all of Detroit, are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Long.

MOMM 2/c Jack Church has received his honorable discharge from the Navy and is home in Grayling. Jack spent 32 months in the Navy, 23 of which were served in the South Pacific. He landed in San Pedro, Calif., on March 3, having sailed on the LST 913, and was discharged from Great Lakes on March 25.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Lovely arrived in Grayling Sunday, and are staying at the Paul Lovely home for the time being.

Mrs. Eugene Papendick was hostess to about 26 guests at a supper party on Saturday night, March 30. Door prizes

went to Clarence Roberts and Mrs. Richard Lovely. The evening was spent playing cards and games.

Jack B. Barber, S 1/c (S-C) is spending a 21-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Barber, and family. Jack was overseas in the Pacific Theater of Operations 15 months, serving also in China and Korea, on the LCS No. 29.

Mrs. Leo Koerper, Mrs. Signe Randolph and Mrs. Al Cariveau are spending the week in Detroit.

AOM 1/C F. J. McClain, Jr., has received his discharge from the Navy and arrived in Grayling on March 27 to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McClain of Lake Margrethe. He was in the Navy 3 1/2 years and recently returned from Cuba on the USS Princeton. F. J. was discharged from Toledo on March 23. At the present time he is the guest of the Ray Czanchorski family in Flint.

The chimney at the Hugh Miller residence blew down Tuesday during the high wind.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Stillwagon are the parents of a son, born April 1.

69 years ago April 5, 1923

An eight pound son arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lovely, Monday, April 2.

Jenson Ziebell left Sunday for Detroit, where he expects to remain.

Frank X. Tetu has rented the garage two doors back of Shoppenagons Inn for a show and sales room for his auto and harvesting machinery sales and battery repair work. He has slicked the place all up and says he intends to have a place that is clean and inviting.

Benton Jorgenson returned Saturday from Detroit, where he had been assisting his father-in-law in the wholesale auto accessory business. He will reopen his store north of the Opera House where he intends to show the greatest assortment of auto accessories ever brought to Grayling, including many new and useful things, electric apparatus, electric bulbs, fixtures, etc. He will also conduct a wholesale department for the same line of goods and expects to supply a considerable amount of the trade in northern Michigan.

The Corwin Auto Sales Company have rented the P. F. Jorgenson automobile garage on Cedar St., and took possession April 1. They expect to use the building as a show room for Durant and Star cars for which they have the agency in this section, and as soon as the roads open up will have some cars of this make on display. Nelson Corwin and Howard Granger are the members of this new Grayling firm.

Alfred J. Sweet and Mrs. Mary Corwin of Roscommon were united in marriage at the home of Mr. and Mrs.

Your Horoscope

Forecast Period: April 5-April 11, 1992

ARIES

Mar. 21-Apr. 19

Stick to your guns. Do not be swayed by those around you. This time it is you who knows best.

TAURUS

Apr. 20-May 20

Do not hide your talents. Showcase them. Make your employer aware of your special skills. Good things will happen.

GEMINI

May 21-June 20

Some promises must be broken and some secrets revealed if it is in the best interests of those involved. You will not be held accountable.

CANCER

June 21-July 22

You must no longer avoid that major purchase you have been needing. The time is right so get on with it.

LEO

July 23-Aug. 22

New kid on the block needs your kindness. Welcome him and help him feel at ease with others who are less accommodating.

VIRGO

Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Show confidence in young person. Be careful not to damage his self esteem. Patience is your best asset.

LIBRA

Sept. 23-Oct. 22

Do not strain an important relationship with petty arguments or lack of communication. Be honest but be generous, as well.

SCORPIO

Oct. 23-Nov. 21

Your intentions may be good but beware of how they are perceived. Be sure your criticisms are constructive.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 22-Dec. 21

You may need financial backing in your latest endeavor. Do not gamble with the funds that are bestowed on you.

CAPRICORN

Dec. 22-Jan. 19

Young people need more attention. Spend time with them and listen. It may be better to keep some opinions to yourself.

AQUARIUS

Jan. 20-Feb. 18

Do not antagonize VPs. Job security is essential at this time. Dig in and work out your frustrations.

PISCES

Feb. 19-Mar. 20

Good time to take stock of your assets. Improvements would be beneficial if you take the time needed to make them.

Enos Dutton last evening. Rev. Jones tied the knot.

The talks at the regular noon day luncheon today related principally to the promotion of industry. Secretary B. E. Smith began the program and announced James W. Sorenson would act as toastmaster. Chris Olson was the first speaker. Olson stated that his hobby at the present time was to get Main St., "fixed up so that it looks nice." He suggested that the Board of Trade work to get three blocks from the railroad to the north court house corner paved, but did not recommend the paving of any of the side streets. He estimated the cost at about \$2.50 per square yard, and at that rate, paving

from curb to curb the cost of the three blocks would amount to about \$22,000 or if 20 feet in the center is paved the cost would be about \$1,800. "Grayling," said Olson, "is spending \$1,000 a year to support our band and the taxpayers should be willing to spend a couple thousand dollars a year for good paved streets. That amount he said would cover the interest and principle payments annually. The next speaker was Hans Peterson who advanced the theory that businessmen and other citizens of Grayling would be willing to put their money into stocks in some company that may be organized here for the manufacture of articles.

NOTICE

The minutes of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners March 11, 1992 Meeting are available for inspection or purchase at the County Clerk's office. Copies can be obtained at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan.

Elizabeth H. Wieland
County Clerk

The Bible Speaks

From The
Calvary Baptist Church

Abolish the NEA?

Pat Buchanan's public exposure of the morality supported by the NEA, and President Bush's "firing" of John Frohnmayer as chairman of the NEA have exploded a hot issue. Republican National Chairman Richard Bond has publicly urged the president to abolish the agency. Congressman Philip Crane has introduced H.R. 229 to abolish the NEA and the NCA. David Broder writing for *The Washington Post*, has disagreed with this line of thinking by saying, "But a nation that cannot afford to finance its arts — even occasional tasteless or offensive variety — is a nation that has lost its perspective, its self-confidence and probably its soul."

God says, "For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret." (EPH 5:12). But the shame we are talking about is not "done of them in secret," but publicly, and is using our taxpayer money for support. Therefore, please forgive me for even repeating some of the following offensive material: The NEA has reportedly supported: items dealing with reproductive organs on

dinner plates; group homosexual acts; a performance using a photo of a woman breast-feeding with a sacrilegious title; a novel about sexual molestation of ten children; acts of bestiality; non-standard sex between puppets; and much more material.

How can David Broder of *The Post* have valid reasons to defend the NEA? Does he assume a government right to finance the arts, which supersedes these questions of morality? Since we face a HUGE national debt, a weak economy, and many pressing human needs, how can even an immoral citizen defend these programs?

I agree with David Broder concerning the danger that our nation "... has lost its perspective, its self-confidence, and probably its soul." But, it will not be the cutting off of money to the NEA which will bring about this loss. The "art" in question is a self manifestation that this loss is already occurring. Our nation has lost our old consensus of traditional moral standards. Both preachers and politicians are cautious about proclaiming conservative moral

standards, either because of unbelief, or for fear of losing their positions and popularity.

God does not call us to obedience for our personal popularity, prosperity, or power in this world. He sanctifies us through His truth. (John 17:17). He calls us to be pure and holy. "Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy." (1PE 1:16). He saved us to be molded into Christ's image. (ROM 8:29). We have work to do!

Pastor "B"

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Hospice volunteer training offered

Do you have a little extra time, care, and love? You can put it to use in a Hospice Volunteer program. Give of yourself and add meaning to your life and to the lives of the terminally ill and their families. You will understand more about this through the volunteer training program. The Hospice volunteers are always here for each other so you have a support group for you.

The training is scheduled for every Monday and Wednesday evening from 7 to 9 p.m. starting April 20th through May 27th. The meetings are being held at St. Huberts church at Higgins Lake. This is a shared program with Roscommon County volunteers. Please call the Hospice office in Grayling 348-9475, ext. 128.



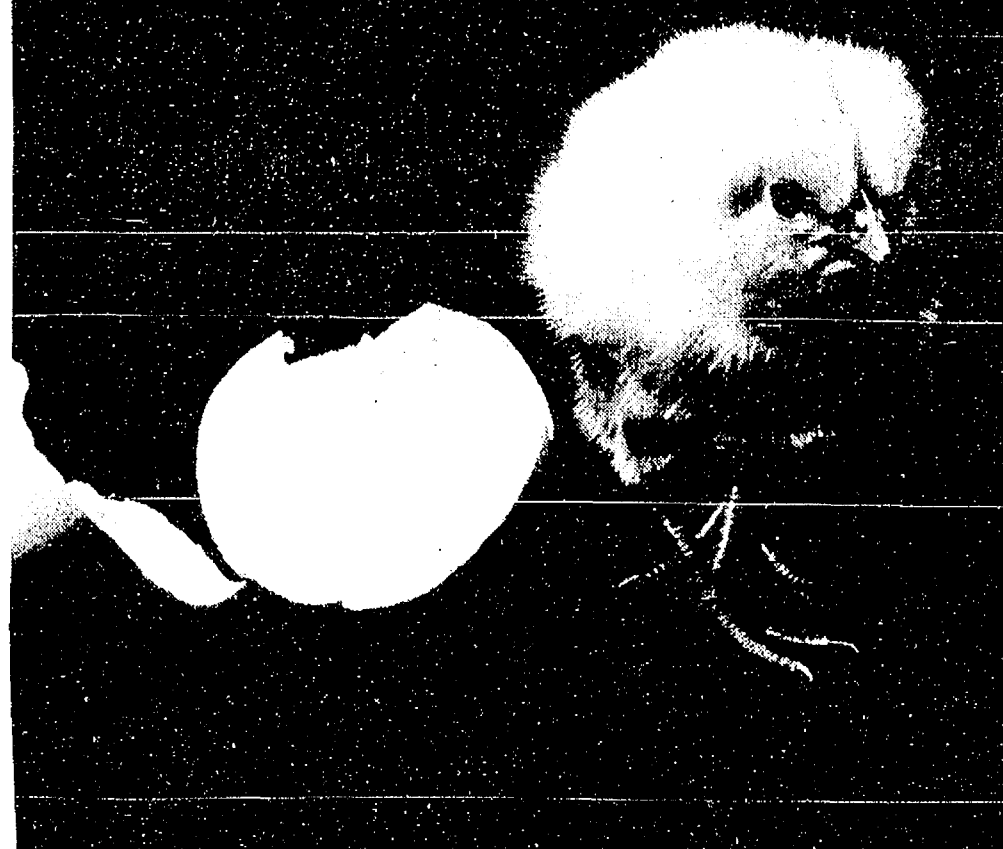
THIRD IN TOURNAMENT--A team of Grayling Middle School girls took third place in a Charlevoix Recreation League tournament featuring ten junior high teams from Petoskey, Charlevoix, and Grayling. The team of (top, left to right) Monica Lawrence, Holly Anger, Michelle Dunckley, Brooke Blaauw, Nikki Schornack (front) Annie Henion, Stacey Putnam, Jamie Brannan, Nicky Miller, and manager Emily Henion also had a 5-4 regular season record in the league.

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The Spring Of The Soul



Baby birds burst their shells. Fragrant flowers push through the warm, moist soil. The grass is bright green and ... yes ... it is growing fast. Spring is a time of growth and action.

Take action in your life, as you grow with God. While planting your garden this spring, sow a seed of faith

in your heart. The harvest will be evident immediately, as the love of the Father springs into your soul.

Enter God's house this Sabbath, remembering the words of Jeremiah, as he said, "Their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any more at all." (Jer. 31:12)

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
John 5:19-47	8 Corinthians 1:1-11	Ephesians 1:1-23	2:1-22	1 Thessalonians 4:1-18	Hebrews 4:1-13	9:1-28

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Rev. Jim Wright
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
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Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 p.m.

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Minister E.A. Henric
4 Mi. East of Frederic
County Rd. 612
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship & Praise 11 a.m.
Sun. Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer, Bible Study 6 p.m.

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Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
April through October
2nd Wednesday 8 p.m.

Michelson Memorial
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Minister Dr. Dennis N. Paulson
400 Michigan Ave.
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Parsonage 348-2588

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Wednesday 7 p.m.

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Midweek Service Prayer 7 p.m.

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Evening Service 6 p.m.
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702 Peninsular - 348-7657
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Wednesday 10 a.m.
Thursday 8 a.m.
Friday 8 a.m.
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Chapel Service 11 a.m.

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Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
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Sunday Service 10 a.m.

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Wed. Prayer Service 7 p.m.

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Consumers Power initiates 'Reduce the Use' program

Consumers Power Company has started a \$65 million conservation program for its electric customers. Called "Reduce the Use," the program will run through August 1993 and is intended to help Consumers Power's electric customers reduce their power consumption. The state's largest utility has experienced eight consecutive years of record annual electric sales. Since 1981 the utility's residential customers have increased their electric consumption by an average of 14 percent.

Reduce the Use offers several

different conservation services available at no charge to Consumers Power electric customers.

The cornerstone program of Reduce the Use is the recycling of used appliances, specifically, spare refrigerators or freezers. Customers can receive a \$50 U.S. savings bond by turning in one of these used appliances, which must be in working order. The appliance is removed free of charge. This program is now available to all the utility's electric customers.

Information on any of the Reduce

the Use services can be obtained through its toll-free number, 1-800-272-1332.

Appliance Recycling Centers of America, Inc. (ARCA) of Minneapolis has been hired by Consumers Power to manage the pick-up and processing of used appliances. ARCA has opened a recycling facility in the Grand Rapids area, employing 50 Michigan residents.

The appliance recycling process includes removal of Freon® and other commercial refrigerants used for cooling purposes. Refrigerants have

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Other components of the Reduce the Use program will be available beginning in April 1992, and include the following services for the utility's residential electric customers:

•Free installation for low-income customers of energy conserving devices, including water heater tank

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•Coupons offered to all residential electric customers, regardless of income, which provide a rebate towards the purchase of high efficiency appliances and other energy saving measures;

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Legal Action

Crawford County Road Commission February 28, 1992 Minutes

A regular meeting of the Crawford County Road Commission was held in their office in Grayling. Present were: Commissioners Clyde Anthony and Kenneth Chapp, Engineer-Manager Richard Young, Accounting Clerk Joanne Thompson. Absent: Chairman Norman Parker.

The minutes of the previous meetings of February 14, 1992, and January 24, 1992, were read. Commissioner Anthony made a motion to accept the minutes with a correction, seconded by Commissioner Chapp. All in favor.

Payroll Voucher Number 5 in the amount of \$34,881.81 and Material Checks numbered 19863 through 19906 in the amount of \$42,030.93 were presented to the Board for approval of payment. Commissioner Chapp made a motion to accept the vouchers, seconded by Commissioner Anthony. All in favor.

One permit was received and approved for Mercury Exploration to install gas pipelines in northern Frederick Township. A cover letter will be attached to the permit when returned to notify Mercury that an additional inspection fee will be charged.

Engineer-Manager Young informed the Board that by the end of March he will have all permit applications re-structured. More information will be required and according to a previous study completed of other county road commissions, there will be price increases according to work being requested.

Discussion was held on the need of weighmasters in Crawford County to protect the roads. The Board instructed Engineer-Manager Young to conduct a survey of if and how other counties receive support and to what degree from the Sheriff Department, County Commissioners, and the townships.

Jon McLeod, representing the unionized employees was present for a brief update on Gateway's status. Commissioner Chapp told Mr. McLeod that a plan will be implemented to replace the monies if Gateway files a "Chapter 7."

The Board, Engineer-Manager, and Mr. McLeod reviewed the truck and equipment specifications that will be let on March 27, 1992.

Discussion was held on Forest Funds. The Board decided to consider monies for materials and maintenance as necessary on a case by case basis. Inspections are to be made for road damage.

Jon McLeod was recalled into the meeting to discuss options of building maintenance. It was decided to gather quotes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anthony, supported by Commissioner Chapp, to have Engineer-Manager Young use his discretion for imposing the annual spring weight and speed restrictions whenever it becomes necessary.

Reviewed heavy maintenance projects for 1992 and updates were given on issues discussed at the last meeting.

Robert Carpenter, CPA, was requested to join the Board meeting regarding pension plans.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor, meeting adjourned.

Joanne Thompson-Accounting Clerk
Norman L. Parker-Chairman

Notice By Purchaser Under Tax Sale

To the Owner or Owners of any and all interests in, or Liens upon, the Lands herein described:

TAKE NOTICE: Sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed or deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within six months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50 percent in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action, together with a sum of \$5.00 for each description, without other additional cost or charge. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description of the land: N 1/2 of S 1/2 of S 1/2 of NE 1/4, Section 21, Maple Forest Township, T28N R3W, County of Crawford, State of Michigan.

Amount paid: \$263.29
Tax for the year: 1987
(Signed) Mr. Michael J. Pilibosian, 3105 Woodpine Court, Rochester, MI, 48306.

To: Richard L. VanTiem, Florence Stewart VanTiem, Cynthia M. Guedry, Theresa A. Stempkowski, individually, and d/b/a/Northern Michigan Vinyl Products, their unknown, unascertained, undetermined, unborn heirs, devisees, legatees, and assigns, including those who are legally incompetent to act in their own behalf, said Richard L. VanTiem, Florence Stewart VanTiem, Cynthia M. Guedry, Theresa A. Stempkowski, individually, and d/b/a/Northern Michigan Vinyl Products being persons indicated to have some interest in the land above described according to Crawford County Records.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE JUDICIAL COURT FOR THE

COUNTY OF CRAWFORD DORIS TALOR Plaintiff, LAW OFFICES OF WILLIAM L. CAREY BY: William L. Carey P31602 Attorney for Plaintiff

114 Michigan Ave, PO Drawer 665
Grayling, MI 49738 517-348-5232
v
SANDRA HUSTED
defendant.
File No. 91-2706-CH

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the Crawford County Clerk shall sell at public sale to the highest bidder, at the front door of the County Building in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on the 30th day of April, 1992, at 10:00 a.m. in the forenoon, the following described property, located in the Township of Beaver Creek, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, to wit:

Part of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 24, T25N, R4W, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan: Beginning at the SW corner of the SE 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4, thence N 0°56'E on 1/8th line, 165 ft., thence S 89°58'E 100 ft., thence S 0°56' W 165 ft., to quarter line, thence N 89°58' W 100 ft. to the Point of Beginning.

Dated March 11, 1992

-19-26-29-16-23

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Description of the land: Parcel A: Part of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Sec. 34, T28N, R3W, the pte. of beg at the W 1/4 cor of sd Sec 34, th N 89 deg 51' E alg the E-W 1/4 li 1333.15 ft to the W 1/8 li, th S 0 deg 37' 08" E alg the W 1/8 li 330 ft, th S 89 deg 51' W 1331.41 ft to the W li of sd Sec 34, th N 0 deg 55' W alg the sec li 330 ft to the pte of beg, containing 10.1 acres, Section 34, Maple Forest Township, T28N R3W, County of Crawford, State of Michigan.

Amount paid: \$256.30
Tax for the year: 1987
(Signed) Mr. Michael J. Pilibosian, 3105 Woodpine Court, Rochester, MI, 48306.

To: Cynthia M. Guedry, their unknown, unascertained, undetermined, unborn heirs, devisees, legatees, and assigns, including those who are legally incompetent to act in their own behalf, said Cynthia M. Guedry being persons indicated to have some interest in the land above described according to Crawford County Records.

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Range Firing

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling in the following areas:

The Small Arms ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline, and south of Portage Creek. Firing will begin on April 3 and cease on April 5.

The Small Arms ranges located at Arrowhead Road in Kalkaska County. Firing will begin on April 3 and cease on April 5.

Range 13, Mortar Range located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac Road and on the east by Carrier Road. Firing will begin on April 3 and cease on April 5.

Range 30 Complex located north of North Down River Road, east of Jones Lake Road, south of County Road 612, and west of Damon Truck Trail. Firing will begin on April 3 and cease on April 5.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. P97 (Twin Bridge Rd). Firing will begin on April 3 and cease on April 5.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. P97 (Twin Bridge Rd). Firing will be from April 1 through April 5, and April 7 and through April 8.

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Description of the land: N 1/2 of S 1/2 of N 1/2 of N 1/2 of SE 1/4, Section 21, Maple Forest Township, T28N R3W, County of Crawford, State of Michigan.

Amount paid: \$243.16 (1986) & \$256.30 (1987)

Tax for the year: 1986 & 1987
(Signed) Mr. Michael J. Pilibosian, 3105 Woodpine Court, Rochester, MI, 48306.

To: Richard L. VanTiem, Florence Stewart VanTiem, Cynthia M. Guedry, Theresa A. Stempkowski, individually, and d/b/a/Northern Michigan Vinyl Products, their unknown, unascertained, undetermined, unborn heirs, devisees, legatees, and assigns, including those who are legally incompetent to act in their own behalf, said Richard L. VanTiem, Florence Stewart VanTiem, Cynthia M. Guedry, Theresa A. Stempkowski, individually, and d/b/a/Northern Michigan Vinyl Products being persons indicated to have some interest in the land above described according to Crawford County Records.

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NOTICE

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners is requesting proposals from persons interested in providing Consulting Services for the expansion of the County Jail Facility. All proposals must be submitted in writing in a sealed envelope and received at the office of the Crawford County Clerk no later than 4:30 pm, Monday, April 20, 1992 - 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738. Information relative to the Request for Proposal can be obtained by contacting the Clerk's office.

Elizabeth H. Wieland
County Clerk

NOTICE

SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP

Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information and Open Meetings Acts, the Township of South Branch does hereby establish that there will be one (1) regular monthly meeting held by the Township Board as follows:

- All meetings will be held at the Township Hall on M-18.
- Meetings will be held the second Tuesday of each month, and will commence promptly at 7:30 p.m.
- Dates of regular meetings are as follows:

April 14, 1992	August 11, 1992	December 8, 1992
May 12, 1992	September 8, 1992	January 12, 1993
June 9, 1992	October 13, 1992	February 9, 1993
July 14, 1992	November 10, 1992	March 9, 1993

ANNUAL MEETING: March 27, 1993 at 9:00 a.m. Township Hall
BOARD OF REVIEW MEETINGS: March 2, 8, and 9, 1993.

Special meetings shall be called at the discretion of the Township Board, with due and proper public notice of such meetings in a manner prescribed by the Acts.

A summary of the Adopted Budget for 1992-1993 and Financial Statement for year ending March 31, 1992, are available for public inspection at the South Branch Township offices located at 5245 M-18, Roscommon, Michigan.

Mary M. Mollon, Clerk
South Branch Township

NOTICE LOVELLS TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETINGS

As required by the provisions of the OPEN MEETING ACT PA 267, the Lovells Township Board hereby lists and posts the dates, times and places of all of its regular meetings during the 1992-1993 fiscal year as follows:

- All regular board meetings will be held at the Lovells Township Hall.
- All regular board meetings will be held the second Tuesday of each month and will commence promptly at 7:00 pm on the following dates:
April 14, 1992
May 12, 1992
June 9, 1992
July 14, 1992
August 11, 1992
September 8, 1992
October 13, 1992
November 10, 1992
December 8, 1992
January 12, 1993
February 9, 1993
March 9, 1993
- All changes and special meetings will be posted eighteen (18) hours in advance.

ANNUAL MEETING March 27, 1993, at 1:00 pm.
LOVELLS TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD will meet on April 6, 1992 and October 5, 1992.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS will meet April 6, 1992 and October 5, 1992.
BOARD OF REVIEW will meet with taxpayers on March 8, 1993 and March 9, 1993.

Cheryl Hopp
Lovells Township Clerk

Bowling League

Pioneer League

Dawsons	28-20
F.O.B. Aux.	28-20
Millikins	28-20
Skips Sport Shop	27-21
Avalanche	22-26
Aunt Betty's	20-28
Chemical Bank	20-28
Mercy Hospital	19-29
High Game: L. Golsnick, 195, K. Schneider, 185, 181, C. Jones, 181. K. Moshier all spare game, 178. High Series: K. Schneider, 535, K. Moshier, 512, J. Hinds, 508.	

Senior Citizen Bowling

Tottens Body Shop	63.5-40.5
Weaver's	38-46
Cornell's	57-47
Buccioli's	55-49
Larry & Joan's	53.5-50.5
McLean's	52.5-51.5
R & H Sports	40.5-63.5
Flowers	36-68
Men's High Game: B. Burrick, 213, V. Kullick, 192, D. Totten, 176. Men's High Series: B. Burrick, 573, D. Totten, 482, B. Dandy, 469.	

Women's High Game: D. Burrick, 173, A. Payne, 169, L. Schoen, 167. Women's High Series: L. Schoen, 452, A. Payne, 451, D. Burrick, 434.

Triangle League

Rosc. Family Dentistry	122.5-69.5
R & R Auto	110.5-81.5
Red Barn	98.5-93.5
Silver Dollar	94.5-97.5
Welohan Lumber	92.5-99.5
Stitches by Sue	88-104
Ed's Team	83-109
Milltown Feed	78.5-113.5
High Game: R. Vermeersch, 203, T. Kauffman, 202, S. Miller, 201. High Series: J. Tyler, 552, T. Kauffman, 547, S. Miller, 539.	

National 1st Division

Budweiser	31
Carlisle Paddles	30.5
Legion Lounge	30
Bear's Country Inn	27.5
Copper Kettle	22
Eagles #3465	19
G-P Products	19
Northland Appliances	13
High Game: T. Kotrash, 225, D. Henning, 220, J. Smock, 216. High Series: D. Henning, 580, M. Mullikin, 571, T. Kotrash, 556.	

Recreation League

Sears	28
Holiday Inn	24
Bears Country Inn	23
Shell Haven	22
Mickey Perez	20
Fabiano Bros.	18
Cornell Real Estate	13
Glen's Market	12
High Game: C. Shivary, 187, G. Neilson, 185, M. McClanahan, 182. High Series: M. McClanahan, 499, B. Pryor, 491, G. Neilson, 474.	

Sunday Nite Mixed Doubles

Drakes	42-18
Rochette's IGA	37-23
Duey's	34-26
Down River Ace	30-30
R & R Auto Sales	26-34
K. A. Wakefield	25-35
Custom Interiors	24-36
Raber Bay Bandits	22-38
Men's High Game: T. Brooks, 201, R. Adkinson, 199, R. Hinds, 186. Men's High Series: R. Adkinson, 545, R. Hinds, 505, C. Hellebuyck, 500.	

Women's High Game: D. Fedewa, 187, N. Cinciala, 179, Tina & Brenda, 173. Women's High Series: T. Hellebuyck, 474, B. LaMotte, 470, N. Cinciala, 456.	
Drakes	78
Rochette's IGA	70.5
Duey's	64
Down River Ace	58.5
R & R Auto Sales	55
Raber Bay Bandits	54
Custom Interiors	51
K. A. Wakefield	49

Friday Night Mixed Doubles

Deb & Dale's	32-16
Aunt Betty's Restaurant	27-21
Pizza Hut	23-25
Moshier Auto Repair	23-25
CSI Industrial Systems	19-29
Schreiber Construction	19-29

Men's High Game: F. Kammer, 212, R. Moshier, 181, B. Denton, 170. Men's High Series: F. Kammer, 509, R. Moshier, 501, B. Denton, 424.

Women's High Game: M. Moshier, 162, K. Lozon, 159, J. Gilman, 156. Women's High Series: M. Moshier, 444, K. Moshier, 425, J. Gilman, 409.

American 2nd Division

Northland App.	22
Skip's	21.5
Hardee's	21
McLean's Ace	20
Glen's	17.5
American Legion	16
Upper Lakes	14
Pat's	12
High Game: A. Angove, 240, D. Canfield, 201, L. Davis, 200. High Series: A. Angove, 613, D. Canfield, 574, R. Hinkle, 539.	

Thursday Coffee League

Helsinki Firewood	36.5
Legion Lanes	35.5
Bloomquist, Wegner, & Law	28
New Life	27
Dan's Dolls	22
AuSable Const.	21
Spikes	19
Airway	19
High Game: C. Cain, 198, M. Canfield, 196, L. Jensen, 184. High Series: M. Canfield, 485, A. Mathy, 471, C. Curtis, L. Benquet, 452.	

Sunday Afternoon Fun League

Grayling Restaurant	38
Murdick's Fudge	37
Helsinki Forest Products	35
Vic Parsons	32
Milltown Drywall	31.5
Spikes Keg O Nails	25
Trails Campground	22.5
Carquest	19
Men's High Game: T. Kotrash, 224, B. Wilson, 193, D. Romain, 191. Men's High Series: T. Kotrash, 557, B. Wilson, 501, L. Baker, 497.	



ROTARY DONATES SCHOLARSHIPS—Recently five college students from the Grayling area were awarded individual scholarships in the amount of \$400 from the Grayling Rotary Club. Pictured above are two of the recipients, Nicole Trenary (L) and Cheryl Barber (R), along with George Stancil of the Rotary Scholarship Committee. Also receiving scholarships but not present for the photo were Susan Casler, Linda Goodale, and Sheryl Klingner. Every year, Rotary presents scholarships to deserving students, based upon the need and demonstrated academic performance.

CRAWFORD COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING ROAD NAME CHANGE

Crawford County Road Commission will hold a public hearing at 10:30 am on April 10, 1992 to adopt a road name change of a private road (not county maintained) of Clarissa Lane to Calvin Lane.

The road in question is located in T26N, R3W, Section 5 of Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

All comments should be in writing and addressed to the Road Commission at Post Office Box 648, Grayling, Michigan 49738 or faxed to 517-348-6933 and should arrive at the Road Commission not later than Wednesday, April 8, 1992.

Individuals desiring to speak at the Public Hearing should contact Crawford County Road Commission prior to the meeting at 517-348-2281.

Richard G. Young, P.E.
Engineer-Manager

-12-19-28-24

NOTICE MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETINGS

Pursuant to Public Act 267, Open Meetings Act, the Maple Forest Township Board lists their regular meetings to be held on the following dates during fiscal Year 1992-93. All meetings will be held the second Tuesday of each month at the township hall and begin promptly at 7:30 pm.

April 14, 1992	October 13, 1992
May 12, 1992	November 10, 1992
June 9, 1992	December 8, 1992
July 14, 1992	January 12, 1993
August 11, 1992	February 9, 1993
September 8, 1992	March 9, 1993

Notice of all Special and Rescheduled Meetings will be posted at the township hall 18 hours in advance. All meetings are open to the public.

Susan Keene
Township Clerk

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LOVELLS AUSABLE RIVER-FRONT Two bedroom home on paved road and North Branch AuSable River. Excellent wading water for Trout fishing. Adjoins 80 acres vacant state land. Recent modernization inside and out, large garage. Includes kitchen appliances and new kitchen cabinets. Within walking distance of restaurant and grocery store. Very low price due to sale of estate, \$33,000. Hal Southard, agent, 348-5965. 3/12/92tf/1

THREE SMALL ACREAGES offered in Kalkaska, Antrim, and Otsego counties. One a good building site near Bear Lake; two are ten acres each. Will trade for acreage in Missaukee or Crawford County that is suitable for a permanent nature sanctuary. Write: Michigan Nature Association, Box 102, Avoca, MI 48006, or call 313/324-2626. -19-26-2/1

2 BEDROOM HOUSE in St Helen. Utility natural gas available. \$16,500 terms possible. 275-5801. -26-2/1

REAL ESTATE 1

REALLY NICE THREE BEDROOM RANCH Two full baths, one with Jacuzzi tub, fireplace, large pole bldg., 10 acres, less than two years old, \$72,900. Call Hamrick Real Estate Co., 348-5433, evenings 348-8336. 2/20/92tf/1

LOVELLS AUSABLE RIVER-FRONT Two bedroom home on paved road and North Branch AuSable River. Excellent wading water for Trout fishing. Adjoins 80 acres vacant state land. Recent partial modernization inside and out, large garage. Includes kitchen appliances and new kitchen cabinets. Within walking distance of restaurant and grocery store. Very low price due to sale of estate, \$33,000. Hal Southard, agent, 348-5965. 4/2/92tf/1

#2789 FIX THIS 1,000 square foot home up to suit your style! Two car garage, a new addition, and five acres. Priced in the \$20s. Call Nettie at Century 21 River Country Real Estate, 348-5474 or 348-3076. -2/1

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FOR RENT 2

LAKE MARGRETHE ACCESS Three bedrooms with two full baths, completely furnished, 2 1/2 car garage. Includes washer, dryer, stove, refrigerator, microwave, dishwasher, and TV/VCR. Bedroom, living, dining and sunporch are completely furnished. \$600 per month plus security deposit and utilities. No pets! To inquire call (517) 348-7472 for appointment. -2/2

FOR RENT - Spacious lake front cottage. Lake Margrethe, dock, weekly, monthly or by season. (517) 348-2821. Leave message. -2-9-16/2

TWO BEDROOM CABIN near Lake Margrethe. Stove, refrigerator and utilities included. \$415 per month, \$415 notice deposit. Well lighted. No pets. Phone Dennis, 348-8435; Guy, 348-5998. -2/2

FOR RENT: EFFICIENCY UNIT One person, furnished, cable and utilities included. References. \$265 per month, deposit, \$135. Call 348-5433, evenings, 348-8336. 4/2/92tf/2

SPACE FOR LEASE at the Grayling Mini Mall. One front unit, 3,000 sq. ft., and two approximately 1,200 sq. ft. Call 348-5323 or write P.O. Box 897, Grayling. 10/24/91tf/2

FOR LEASE: HIGH TRAFFIC AREA M-72 West, Bear Lake Office or store, Rick, 348-3061. -19-26-2-9/2

FOR RENT 2

2,000 SQ. FT. OF GARAGE or storage space near downtown. Call 348-6761. 11/14/91tf/2

FOR RENT 2nd story, 1 bdrm apartment. Single, adult employed person only. No pets 348-7868. -3/26/92tf/2

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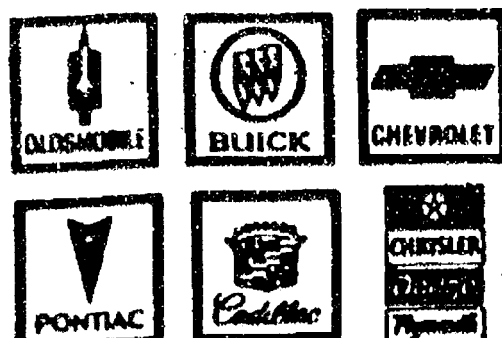
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scoring. At the end of the initial five rounds, the Grayling team had 137 points and Escanaba had 130.

The final round of competition was held in the Michigan Court of Appeals under actual courtroom procedure, and argued before a panel of three judges. The legal arguments and questions took two hours, and at the conclusion Grayling received a perfect score of 30 to Escanaba's 24. It was the first time any team had received a perfect score in the final round.

The Youth in Government Moot Court competition is sponsored by the Young Lawyers Section of the Michigan Bar. The Grayling team of Jordan Stancil and Sean Mirate were assisted by their local attorney/coaches Alton T. Davis, John Hunter, Terrence Bloomquist, Dave Sabin, the law firm of William L. Carey, and Richard Joseph of Charlevoix.

Jordan is the son of George and Marilyn Stancil, and Sean is the son of Jeff and Karen Mirate.

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(proficiency 2); Rosi, piano solo (proficiency 2); Melanie Ross (10), flute solo (proficiency 1); and Melissa Wakeley (10), trumpet solo (proficiency 1).

Students who received II ratings were: Lamie, flute solo (proficiency 2); and Anger, Rosi, Wakeley, and Chris Halstead (12), trumpet quartet.

All sophomore through senior soloists were required to perform at proficiency levels. In addition to playing their prepared pieces, they also played certain scales, sightread and—in the case of piano soloists—played a Bach invention. The difficulty of scales and sight reading increases as students move up in proficiency levels.

"It was a fine day," said Ormsbee. "The students represented the community very well in their performing abilities and also in the handling of themselves."

Pool

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Wyers stated that just opening the pool is not the problem. The pool is situated on land that is not currently under the lease of the G.R.A. "We have been assured that the Department of Military Affairs would look favorably on including that land in our lease if we were to take on the pool and or the campground as G.R.A. projects." The campground is currently not being considered as a viable project in the near future.

In order to open the pool, however, the G.R.A. needs money, and lots of it. The equipment is in need of repair, and the Michigan Department of Health has submitted a list of required improvements that would cost around \$30,000 to bring the pool up to public standards. Wyers and his Board of Directors have recently sent out feelers to local community groups concerning possible means of funding the project and although specific requests for money have been turned down by the Grayling Booster Club and the Crawford County Economic Development Council, both groups stated an interest in working with the G.R.A. on the project.

A spokesman for the Booster Club said that the seasonal limitation to the Pine Knoll pool was a major consideration in their rejecting the G.R.A. proposal. He did, however, state in his opinion that the Booster Club would support a year-round, olympic-sized swimming facility.

Randy Thompson of the Crawford County EDC said, "The purpose of the EDC is to enhance local economic development and create jobs. If the G.R.A. could meet our requirements, specifically to show matching funds, be able to secure the loan, and prove a paybackability, I think the EDC would be happy to be involved with the project."

Wyers considers all the effort spent to date as valuable feedback. "Even if we can come up with a proposal that will satisfy potential investors, the whole project will fail unless the public will support a pool with the extensive use that would allow us to meet operating expenses. If the Pine Knoll pool is not what the public wants we would consider building a pool next to our ski lodge. We see a pool as a real benefit to all the residents of the county. Besides being open to the public, the seniors could use it for exercise, the high school could use it for a swimming team and PE, even Mercy Hospital could use it as part of their physical therapy program."

One group that approached the G.R.A. with a possible avenue of funding is the American Red Cross. Nationally, they provide grant money for projects that can be used as training facilities for CPR and water safety. "There is lots of funding available, if we can bring everything together," said Wyers.

Hanson Hills is currently being partially funded through a local millage program and when asked about raising money through a tax increase, Wyers stated, "We can't do that nor do we need to, we just need to know if the community would support a pool and to what extent. I they really want one, we can give it to them, and if they don't, we'll drop the whole idea."

Readers are asked to consider the advantages and the disadvantages of a community-run swimming facility. In next week's Avalanche you will have the opportunity to answer a questionnaire and state your opinion on any and all aspects of this project.

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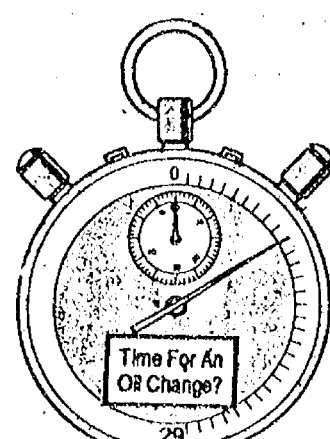
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3 to make a reservation.

The association is encouraging businesses to bring as many employees as possible to show appreciation for their contributions.



JOHNSTON HONORED--MFA President Lynn Mayer and MFA Immediate President Kristi Flatt presented the award of MFA Young Person of the Year to Raya Johnston, of Flowers by Josie, Grayling.

Johnston wins state Floral Association award

Raya Johnston was recently awarded the Young Person of the Year award by the Michigan Floral Association.

Raya Johnston, of Flowers by Josie, was given this prestigious title at the annual President's Banquet during the MFA Spring Convention and Trade Show, held at the Hyatt Regency, Dearborn.

Johnston was recognized by her peers for her enthusiasm for the floral industry and her continued involvement in MFA sponsored events. Behind the scenes, Johnston's talent has graced many MFA conventions and seminars.

Johnston started her career in the floral industry at Weber's Floral Shop, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., then went on to Belen's School of Floral Design in Lansing. Johnston continued her floral design education in 1984 in the Netherlands, followed by a position with Flowers by Josie in Grayling.

Johnston has earned a Master Designer Award from Florists' Transworld Delivery Association (FTD) and is currently working on obtaining AIFD (American Institute of Floral Design) Certification.

This year's convention was the 72nd annual for the association.

Barnes takes 2nd in forensics event

Grayling High School forensics team member Nicole Barnes took 2nd place in the prose interpretation category at the district individual events tournament at Lake City High School on March 24. Her strong finish enables Barnes, a senior, to advance to regional competition at Kirtland Community College on April 10.

Her prose selection is "The Wildcat"

by Catherine Boyd from *When I am an Old Woman I Shall Wear Purple*, edited by Sandra Martz.

Also scoring team points for GHS at the district tournament were the multiple interpretation group of sophomore Rachel Anderson, senior Michelle Burcham, sophomore Michelle Sampsel, sophomore Melissa Wakeley and sophomore Shauna Wireman; senior Amy Hamel in dramatic interpretation; sophomore Melanie Ross in poetry interpretation; and the duo interpretation team of sophomores Amanda Bankert and Aprille Watts.

Barnes and Ross also received 2nd and 3rd place medals respectively at the Fairview High School invitational tournament on March 21. Ross's selection was the poem, "Tulips," by Sylvia Plath.

The GHS forensics (individual events) team is coached by Ray Bankert.

Lovells News

Mr. Wilford Muriel (Woody) passed away on Saturday, March 28. Our deepest sympathies are extended to the family.

Eddie Harwood and daughters of Midland, spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Margie Harwood.

The Cheerful Givers Club will meet on Thursday, April 2, at 10 a.m., at the clubroom.

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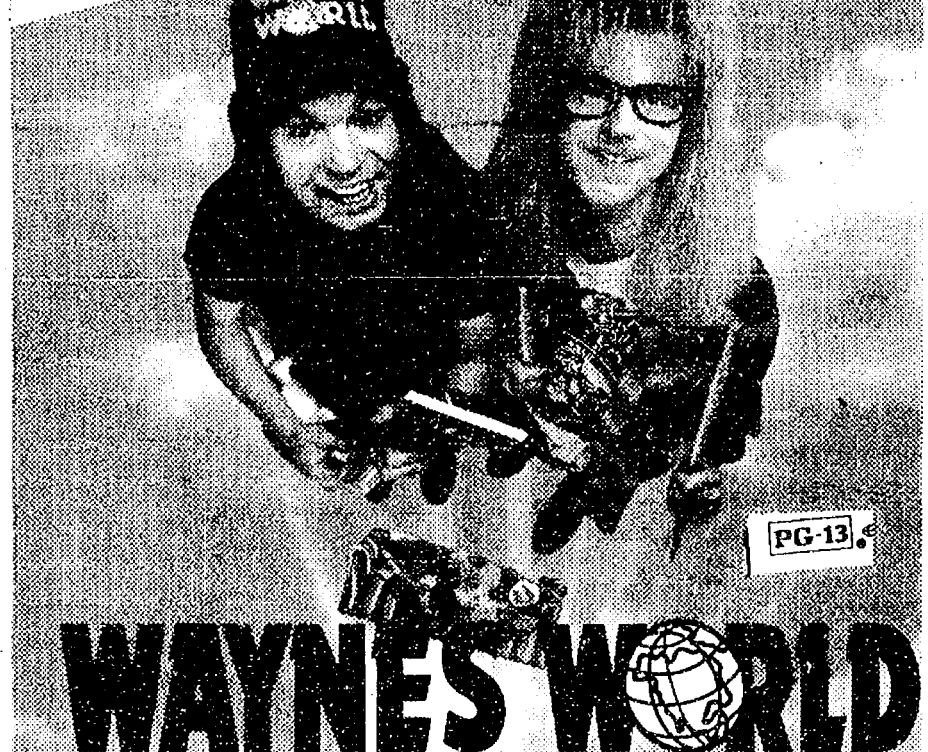
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